



August 2026

Hunger Relief Partner Newsletter

Welcome Our New Hunger Relief Partner Washakie Ministerial Food Bank

We are excited to welcome a new partner serving Worland, Wyoming!

Washakie Ministerial Food Bank is open to the community every **Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.**

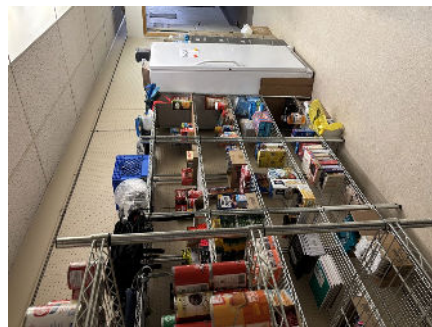
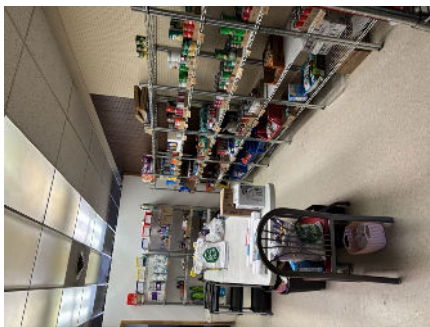
Location:

620 Big Horn Ave
Worland, WY 82604

Contact:

307-347-6123

They can be found on our website under [Find Food](#)



For the past few years, Washakie Ministerial Food Bank has been a valuable resource for the community, offering food assistance to neighbors in need. We are thrilled to welcome them as a Food Bank of Wyoming Partner and are excited about the positive impact this partnership will have in helping feed the community.

Welcoming Our Sourcing Manager

Ryan Specht

My name is Ryan Specht. I was born and raised



here in Casper, WY. I went to Natrona County HS. I received my degree in Business Management from Colorado Mesa University in Grand Junction, CO.

I met my wife, Megan, in Colorado 12 years ago, and I have been working for Catholic Charities in Denver as the Emergency Services Manager, which entailed Direct services (rental and utility services), Victim Assistance (working with District Attorneys to assist victims of crime), Disaster Services (Fires and Floods), and Food and Clothing pantry.

We recently moved back to Casper, and I am humbled and blessed to be a part of the Food Bank of Wyoming team. I'm looking forward to serving all of our neighbors in need in the Cowboy State.

Turkey Time!



It is never too early to talk turkey! We are getting ready to place an order for whole turkeys and turkey breast. Please help us order the correct amount by filling out **THIS FORM**. We know that quite often it is less expensive to order from the stores, or you have generous donors who provide them for you. We understand if Food Bank of Wyoming isn't your preferred turkey vendor. Our goal is to purchase the right amount of turkeys at competitive pricing and have them available if you need them. **Please respond by August 12th.**

Annual Partner Training is Here!

To remain in compliance, **at least one representative from each partner agency** must complete the required annual trainings by **August 31**.

Required Trainings:

- **Civil Rights Training** (approximately 30 minutes)
- **Food Safety Training** (approximately 30 minutes)

All training is completed through **NeoGov**. If you need assistance setting up a NeoGov account or have trouble logging in, please contact the [Help Desk](#) for support.

Thank you for completing these annual training requirements and for your continued commitment to serving Wyoming communities safely and equitably.

Building Belonging Training



What to Expect:

At Food Bank of Wyoming, we honor our unique service area and communities with respect. One way we do this is through the Building Belonging Program online course for our partners, which serves as a guide to reduce barriers to food access and become more community-centered and responsive. The Building Belonging Program assists Hunger Relief Partners in understanding and addressing the barriers to access that our neighbors may experience. Topics include: methods to learn about your community, cultural and religious food preferences, language barriers, ensuring simple access, culturally responsive outreach, and building trust and respect. These practices aim to support creating spaces of belonging and increasing equity in your distributions. Available in English and Spanish on NeoGov.

Approximately 60 min. to complete.

If you are interested in this learning opportunity please visit our website:
<https://wyomingfoodbank.org/partner-portal/partner-training/>

Tips & Tricks

Use the following tips to help Food Bank of Wyoming be a better partner to you.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR EMAIL

- **Email is our primary method of communication.** When changes happen (like bad weather or closed roads), we will let you know by email.

Issuing Credit

- **Report any differences** on your invoice **WITHIN 48 hours** of receipt of your order to receive credit. **NO CREDIT** will be granted after that.

Vivory

- With Vivory, you can improve food access in your community. It provides a central place to keep your pantry hours and location updated so neighbors always know when and where to access services on our **Find Food tab**.
- It's also a valuable communication tool. If your pantry needs to close unexpectedly, Vivory allows you to quickly send updates and notifications to community members who are signed up for alerts.
- To learn more, email the Help Desk or go to <https://wyomingfoodbank.org/partner-portal/vivory/>

KEEP YOUR INFORMATION UPDATED

Keep your email, phone numbers, address, shoppers, and contact information updated. The Help Desk is standing by to assist you in updating information. You can [submit a Help Desk ticket](#) or contact the Help Desk by phone at 307-265-2172

It is our goal to ensure quality service and communication. You can help us by keeping an eye out for important communication. Our monthly newsletter will let you know of any upcoming changes, and it is our goal not to send emails you don't need.

We thank you for your partnership and are grateful for the meaningful work you do for your community.

Staffing Update

We want to share that **Cathy Stepp** is no longer with the Food Bank of Wyoming, and we wish her all the best in her next adventure.

If you need assistance with program operations, ordering, or general partner support, please continue to contact the [Help Desk](#), and our team will ensure your questions are directed to the appropriate staff member.

For questions regarding your **account, account balances, or account-related issues**, please contact **Abigail Acheampong** at aacheampong@foodbankrockies.org.

Hamburger Casserole



INGREDIENTS



PASTA & PROTEIN

- 12 oz fusilli or cavatappi pasta
- 1 lb ground beef



VEGETABLES

- 1 green bell pepper, chopped
- 1 yellow onion, chopped
- 4 garlic cloves, finely chopped
- 4 green onions, sliced



SEASONINGS

- 1 Tbsp olive oil
- 1½ tsp kosher salt
- 1 tsp smoked paprika
- ½ tsp black pepper



PLUS:

Extra olive oil for baking dish, salt for pasta water, and green onions for garnish.



SAUCE

- 2 cups beef broth
- 1 (15 oz) can tomato sauce
- 1 Tbsp Dijon mustard
- 1 Tbsp Worcestershire sauce
- 1 (4 oz) block cream cheese, cubed
- ½ cup milk



CHEESE & TOPPING

- 8 oz pepper jack cheese, shredded
- ¾ cup crispy onions



This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Food Bank of Wyoming aspires to meet individuals where they are with the foods they need based on their unique circumstances and culture. We show up for any person experiencing hunger knowing that food insecurity can impact any of us at various points in our lives. Today, we may be packing produce for a person facing an unforeseen health crisis and tomorrow we may be providing a weekend food bag to a child whose caregiver may be struggling to find a well-paying job.

The circumstances may be different, but we never waver from our mission of igniting the power of community to nourish people facing hunger.



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