

# OUTDOOR PANTRIES

Local communities in partnership with the Asheville Buncombe Food Policy Council



## Background

In 2020, in response to the sudden increase in local food-access challenges caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the ABFPC began partnering with residents of Asheville neighborhoods to identify strategies for meeting emergency community food needs resulting in the Outdoor Food Pantry Program

## Existing Pantries

- **East End:** 44 Hildebrand St., AVL, NC 28801
- **Shiloh:** 49 Hampton St., AVL, NC 28803
- **Deaverview Community Food Pantry:** Apt 6D, 275 Deaverview Rd., AVL, NC 28806
- **Southside Community Farm (at the orchard):** 214 Livingston St., AVL, NC 28801
- **COMING SOON-Dr. Wesley Grant Sr. Southside Community Center:** 285 Livingston St., AVL, NC 28801



## Help keep them STOCKED!

The pantries are safe hubs for mutual aid efforts and are planned and constructed in partnership with neighborhood residents who are paid for their work. Community members stock and maintain the pantries so they are self-sustaining. You can help stock too - even if they're not in your neighborhood!



### Want to help stock? Here are some ideas:

canned goods ● grains ● sauces ● rice  
condiments ● diapers ● honey ● foil ● spices  
baking supplies ● nuts ● potatoes ● nut butters  
onions ● crackers ● apple sauce ● canned milk  
dried fruit ● canned proteins ● dried beans  
toiletries ● oils ● sanitary items

**What not to stock?** foods that are: perishable, require refrigeration/heat intolerant, anything opened or messy

## What's Coming UP!

The ABFPC is producing build-your-own-pantry kits with a how-to video that will allow churches, neighborhood organizations, community gardens, and other groups to construct their own outdoor food pantries. In the future we're hoping to include root cellars and solar coolers so we can stock the pantries with more semi-perishable foods like produce.



## Want to learn more?

If your community or organization are interested in building a pantry or would like information on the pantry kits, contact Gina coordinator@abfoodpolicy.org  
To read more about this work, go to: [abfoodpolicy.org/engage/outdoor-pantries/](https://abfoodpolicy.org/engage/outdoor-pantries/)

