

COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE + CAN CASTLE COMPETITION

Hello, Friend of the Mission!

Boise Rescue Mission Ministries is excited to announce our 14th Annual **March to End Hunger Community Food Drive and Can Castle Competition**. This is an opportunity for your business, church, group, or family to collect cans of food and other non-perishable items to help feed and care for the men, women, and children served by the Mission.

Get started today by registering at **BoiseRM.org/End-Hunger**, then collect items through the month of March. Donations of non-perishable food items, as well as hygiene and monetary contributions, all count toward this challenge.

Each participating group <u>can also build a CAN CASTLE creation</u> using the items they collect, and compete for the coveted Can Castle Trophy. If you choose to participate in the Can Castle Competition, you can submit photos of your creation before 5:00 PM on Thursday, March 27th.

Separate awards will be given for the amount of supplies collected and the overall creativity of Can Castles. Judging and voting will take place on the Rescue Mission's Facebook page from April 1st - 3rd, with the winner announced on Friday, April 4th.

In 2024, Boise Rescue Mission Ministries served over 275,000 meals to hungry and homeless men, women, and children in our community. We need your help to continue meeting this need! With summer quickly approaching, donations to the Mission tend to slow down significantly during this season. Our March to End Hunger event stocks our shelves in preparation for these leaner months, so your help is extremely important and greatly appreciated.

Thank you so much! Together, we're making a difference in the lives of our neighbors in need across the Treasure Valley! Please call or email us with any questions.



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Get started today at BoiseRM.org/End-Hunger

A special thank you to our March to End Hunger <u>sponsor</u>





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#CanCastle
#MealsEqualHope







Needs List

Not sure what to collect? Here are some of our most needed items:

- O Chips/Lunch Snacks (Individual Packs)
- O Canned Tuna/Chicken
- O Canned Fruit
- O Canned Veggies O Canned Coffee (Large)
- O Apple Sauce
- O Mayo/Condiments
- O Boxed Cereal
- O Pasta/Rice Meals
- O Sugar
- O Beef Broth
- O Cream Of Chicken Soup
- O Salad Dressing

- O Jelly
- O Soy Sauce
- O Yams
- O Fruit Cups
- O Juice
- **O** Bottled Water
- O Twin Sheets
- O Men's Underwear
- O Vitamin C
- O Pepto Bismol
- O Adult Cold Medicine
- O All-Purpose Cleaners
- O Disinfectant Spray
- O Dryer Sheets
- BOISE RESCUE MISSION MINISTRIES

2025 MARCH TO END HUNGER



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How do we register?

You can register online at <u>BoiseRM.org/End-Hunger</u>. Be sure to indicate whether (1) you will be participating in the Can Castle Competition and (2) if you will need donation barrels. Sign-ups are ongoing until the end of March so join in with us to help end hunger in the Treasure Valley.

How will the collected items be used?

Boise Rescue Mission Ministries is currently serving *over 750 meals a day*, so your participation in this event will help ensure that every hungry man, woman, and child who comes to us receives a hot, healthy meal! Food collected will be served in the kitchens of our 5 shelter facilities in Boise and Nampa.

How do we get more food barrels for our team?

Need more barrels? Call the Community Engagement Team at (986) 204-0910 or email Events@BoiseRM.org.

How do we arrange for our cans to be picked up or donated?

During registration, you will be asked for dates and times to pick up your collected food. When the pick-up crew arrives, it is important that *all food be contained in food barrels or boxes*. And remember, if you are participating in the Can Castle Competition, do not deconstruct your creation until all photos have been taken and submitted!

Does our Can Castle creation have to look like a castle?

No! You can make any structure as long as it is built with the donations you collect. Be creative with your build. The possibilities are limitless! We're excited to see what you can build together!

How do I submit my Can Castle photos?

- Choose one of the following ways to submit your photos for voting:
- (1) Email photos along with your team/company name to GabrielC@BoiseRM.org.
- (2) Direct message your photos and group name to our Facebook or Instagram.

>>> All submissions must be received before 5:00pm on Thursday, March 27.

What types of photos should I submit?

Please include (1) a photo with your Can Castle creation alone and (2) a photo with your group and your Castle together.

What is the prize for winning the Can Castle Competition?

If you win, your group will be the proud recipients of the much-coveted Can Castle Trophy, along with respect and extreme bragging rights.

Have a question not answered in our FAQ?

Contact the Community Engagement Team at (986) 204-0910 or Events@BoiseRM.org.



Boise Rescue Mission Ministries is the largest provider of homeless services in the state of Idaho. Since 1958, BRMM has been on the forefront of serving homeless and hungry people; providing food, shelter, clothing, counseling, accountability, and education for men, women, and children in need.

Our comprehensive programs for addiction, mental health issues, and job preparedness give people the opportunity to overcome homelessness and become contributing members of the community again. In 2024, BRMM provided more than 124,000 overnight stays to men, women, and children across the Treasure Valley.