

Subject: Re: Special Awareness Note
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This is a special note about something usually not on this menu. But it is still about local realities, like politics or tourism. It's about food.

This is the first holiday season since sequester cuts have reduced allotments to food stamp recipients, known as CalFresh in Calif; it took effect November 1. Now, a family of four only receives \$1.75 per meal for each person. And, the numbers of people who unfortunately qualify for food assistance has jumped dramatically in [Napa County](#) this year. Now, over 20% of residents here live below the poverty line; the County ranks high in the state for poverty. These people are the elderly, seasonal workers, single parents, laid-off workers, low-wage but full time employees, students, the medically impaired -- a wide swath of the population.

In St. Helena our food pantry is attached to the Seventh Day Adventist Church. Please drop off those oranges, persimmons or walnuts from your tree or pick up two of something when you shop -- one for the food pantry. Drive around to the back parking lot of the Adventist Church to the small building on the far right -- takes just a minute.

1777 Main Street, around back.
St. Helena, CA - 94574
(707) 253-6100 (call them, see what they need)
Pantry hours: Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 2:30-4pm

Thanks a lot!
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