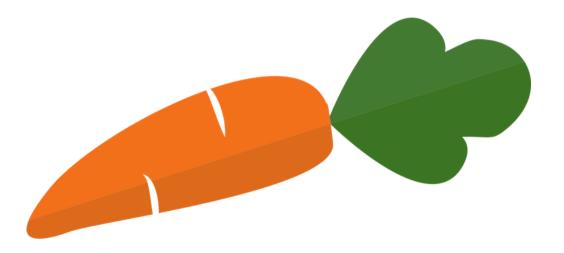
Where to Find

Free and Low-Cost Food

in the Columbia River Gorge



By:

The Food Security Coalition

About

This guide has information about free and low-cost food for you and your family in the Gorge.

This guide has something for people of all ages, genders, races, housing and immigration status.

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You can download the most recent copy of this guide from our website: www.gorgegrown.com/food-assistance

We update this guide every three months with new information.

Please call 503-490-6420 or email info@gorgegrown.com with any questions, comments, or updates.

Where to Find Free and Low-Cost Food in Hood River County

Food Pantries

Food at food pantries is free to all. You can get food even if you get SNAP, WIC, or other benefits. You do not need to show ID or proof of income.

FISH Food Bank: Hood River

1130 Tucker Rd., Hood River Mondays, 3:30 to 5 p.m. Wednesdays, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Fridays, 3:30 to 5 p.m. Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. 541-386-3473

Seventh Day Adventist Food Pantry

1090 22nd St., Hood River Tuesdays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. 541-386-4232

Hood River Valley Adult Center

2010 Sterling Place, Hood River 3rd Tuesday, 1-3 p.m. 541-386-2060

Hot Meals

These places serve free and low-cost meals.

Hood River Valley Adult Center Meal

\$5 suggested donation. Open to all. No one turned away. 2010 Sterling Pl., Hood River Monday through Friday, 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. 541-386-2060

FISH Food Bank: Cascade Locks

140 SE WaNaPa St., Cascade Locks 4th Wednesdays, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., and the following Saturday, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. 541-386-3473

FISH Food Bank: Odell

Mid-Valley Elementary 3686 Davis Dr, Odell 2nd & 4th Tuesday 3-5 p.m. 541-386-3473

FISH Food Bank: Parkdale

4910 Baseline Dr., Parkdale Mondays, 4 to 6 p.m. 541-352-3500

Meals on Wheels

If you are a homebound senior over 60 or a homebound person with disabilities of any age, call 541-386-2060 for a home meal delivery.

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SNAP/EBT (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)

SNAP is the new name for food stamps. It can be used to buy food at most stores and farmers markets. SNAP users get money put on a plastic card each month. This card is like a debit or credit card.

To apply, contact the Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS): 1610 9th Ct., Hood River 541-386-3199

To learn more:

www.oregon.gov/DHS/ASSISTANCE/FOOD-BENEFITS/pages/index.aspx

To apply for benefits: www.apps.state.or.us/onlineApplication

WIC (Women, Infants, & Children)

WIC is a program to help buy food for women with lower incomes who are pregnant or have a child 5 or younger. Fathers can also apply for WIC for their children.

To apply, contact the Hood River County Health Department: 1109 June St., Hood River 541-387-6882

www.co.hood-river.or.us/?SEC=88E4CED7-3C8F-4074-9C7A-075198E38804

Veggie Rx

Some doctors may be able to prescribe you "Veggie Rx". With Veggie Rx, you can get boxes of fruits and veggies or coupons to buy fresh fruits and veggies. Visit www.gorgegrown.com/veggierx to learn more.

WIC or Senior Farmers Market Vouchers

This is also called the Farm Direct Nutrition Program (FDNP). This program gives coupons, or vouchers, to low income seniors and WIC families. With these coupons you can buy fresh, locally grown fruits and veggies at farmers markets and farm stands in summer and fall.

Seniors can contact the Oregon Health Authority to apply: 1-866-299-3562 WIC families can contact their local WIC office to apply: 1-800-723-3638

School-aged children can get food year-round. They can get it at school and through other programs.

Free and Reduced School Lunch

Some school-aged children from families with lower incomes can get free school breakfast and lunch. Schools send home forms to apply at the beginning of each school year. You can also apply any time during the year. To do this, contact your child's school to ask for a form to apply.

To learn more, contact your child's school, or visit this website: www.fns.usda.gov/school-meals/applying-free-and-reduced-price-school-meals

Summer Meals

In the summer months when school is closed, some children can get free meals.

To learn more, text "food" to 877-877, call 2-1-1 to ask about summer meals or visit this website: www.summerfoodoregon.org

Healthy Eating

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Columbia Gorge Gleaning Project

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Contact: gleaning@gorgegrown.com

503-490-6553

www.gorgegleaning.com | www.facebook.com/ColumbiaGorgeGleaning

Farmers Markets

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- Farmers Markets accept **WIC and Senior Farmers Market Vouchers**, **Veggie Rx**, and **EBT** cards from any state.

Hood River Farmers Market

5th and Columbia parking lot Saturdays, 9 a.m to 1 p.m., May to November 541-490-6420

www.gorgegrown.com/hoodriver

Hood River Farmers Market

May Street Elementary School 1st and 3rd Saturdays 9 a.m to 1 p.m., December - April 541-490-6420

www.gorgegrown.com/hoodriver

Hood River Heights Mobile Market

Hawks Ridge Assisted Living Center (8th and Pacific St. in the Heights) Fridays, 12 to 2 p.m., May through November 541-490-6420

www.gorgegrown.com/mobilemarket

Mercado del Valle

Atkinson Dr., Downtown Odell 4 to 6 p.m. on June 27, July 11, July 25, August 8, August 22, Sept. 5, and Sept. 19 541-490-6420 www.gorgegrown.com/mercado

Cascade Locks Farmers Market

City Plaza, in front of the courthouse (WaNaPa St., Cascade Locks) Sundays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., June through October 503-890-2846

www.facebook.com/CascadeLocksFarmersMarket

Where to Find Free and Low-Cost Food in Klickitat County

Food Pantries

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Bingen Food Pantry

115 W Steuben St., Bingen Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., and 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. 509-493-2662

Klickitat Food Pantry

92 Main St., Klickitat Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. 509-493-2662

Goldendale Food Pantry

112 East Main St., Goldendale Mondays, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. 509-493-2662

Hot Meals

These places serve free and low-cost meals.

Goldendale Community Meal

Free and open to all Goldendale United Methodist Church (109 E Broadway St.) Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. 509-773-3757

Goldendale Senior Center Meal

\$3.50 suggested donation for seniors, \$6.50 fee if you are under age 60 115 E Main St., Goldendale Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12 p.m. 509-773-3757

White Salmon Pioneer Center Meal

\$3.50 suggested donation for seniors, \$6.50 fee if you are under age 60 501 NE Washington St, White Salmon Mondays and Wednesdays at 12 p.m. 509-493-3068

Lyle Lions Community Center Meal

\$3.50 suggested donation for seniors, \$6.50 fee if you are under age 60 503 Hwy 14, Lyle Tuesdays at 12 p.m. 509-493-3068

Bickleton Market Street Café Meal

\$3.50 suggested donation for seniors, \$6.50 fee if you are under age 60 304 E Market St., Bickleton 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m. 509-773-3757

Trout Lake School Meal

\$3.50 suggested donation for seniors, \$6.50 fee if you are under age 60 2310 Hwy 141, Trout Lake 2nd Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. 509-493-3068

Klickitat Community Center Meal

\$3.50 suggested donation for seniors, \$6.50 fee if you are under age 60 92 Main St., Klickitat 3rd Thursdays at 12 p.m. 509-773-3757

Meals on Wheels

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SNAP is the new name for food stamps. It can be used to buy food at most stores and farmers markets in any state. SNAP users get money put on a plastic card each month. This card is like a debit or credit card.

To apply, contact the White Salmon Branch Community Service Office: 221 N Main Ave, White Salmon 877-501-2233

To learn more: www.dshs.wa.gov/node/30070

WIC (Women, Infants, & Children)

WIC is a program to help buy food for women with lower incomes who are pregnant or have a child 5 or younger. Fathers can also apply for WIC for their children.

To apply, contact the Klickitat County Health Department:

White Salmon office: 501 NE Washington St., White Salmon 509-493-1558

Goldendale office: 228 W Main St., Goldendale

509-773-4565

WIC and Senior Farmers Market Coupons

This is also called the Farm Direct Nutrition Program (FDNP). This program gives coupons, or vouchers, to low income seniors and WIC families. With these coupons you can buy fresh, locally grown fruits and veggies at farmers markets and farm stands in summer and fall.

Seniors can call Klickitat Senior Service to apply: 509-773-3757 or 509-493-3068 WIC families can call the Klickitat County Health Department to apply: 509-493-1558 or 509-773-4565

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To learn more, contact your child's school, or visit this website: www.fns.usda.gov/school-meals/applying-free-and-reduced-price-school-meals

Summer Meals

In the summer months when school is closed, some children can get free meals.

To learn more, call 1-866-3-HUNGRY and ask about summer meals or visit this website: www.fns.usda.gov/summerfoodrocks

Backpack Program

Children can get food on Fridays to take home for the weekend. Contact your child's school to learn more.

Gleaning Groups

These groups collect food from farms, gardens, and grocery stores that would be wasted. Volunteers and food pantries get this food.

White Salmon Gleaners

Collects and distributes food, clothing, and pet food weekly on Tuesdays. Membership fee is \$10/month 509-493-1240

Columbia Gorge Gleaning Project

Brings groups of volunteers out to farms, orchards, and gardens to harvest veggies and fruit that would go to waste. Volunteers can keep up to half of what they harvest. They donate the rest to food pantries. It is free and open to all.

Contact: gleaning@gorgegrown.com 503-490-6553

www.gorgegleaning.com | www.facebook.com/ColumbiaGorgeGleaning

Windy River Gleaners

Collects extra food from grocery stores, local farms, orchards, and gardens to share with the community. It is free and open to everyone. No one will be turned away.

Contact: silverbirdore@yahoo.com 541-296-9676 | 541-908-1725 2937 E 2nd St., The Dalles (across from Big Jim's) www.facebook.com/windyrivergleaners

Goldendale Gleaners

Contact: rody@gorge.net 509-773-3638

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- **POP (Power of Produce)**: Children get a free \$2 token to spend on fruits and veggies every time they come to the market.
- Farmers Markets accept **WIC and Senior Farmers Market Coupons**, **Veggie Rx**, and **EBT** cards from any state.

Goldendale Farmers Market

Ekone Park (N Wilbur Ave & SR 142) Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 12 through September 29 www.goldendalechamber.org/golden dale-farmers-market

Lyle Mobile Farmers Market

Lyle Activity Center (Hwy 14 and 3rd St.) Fridays, 4 to 6 p.m. May through November www.gorgegrown.com/mobilemarket

Klickitat Summer Market

Depot Park, Downtown Klickitat 2nd Saturdays of the month 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. June through September

White Salmon Farmers Market

Rhinegarten Park
(Washington St. and Main Ave.)
Thursdays, 4 to 7 p.m.
Mid-June through first week in
October
www.facebook.com/whitesalmonfar
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Healthy Eating

Visit www.foodhero.org for ideas on healthy eating and shopping on a budget. This website has healthy, low-cost, and easy to make recipes in English and Spanish.

Where to Find Free and Low-Cost Food in Sherman County

Food Pantries

Food at food pantries is free to all. You can get food even if you get SNAP, WIC, or other benefits. You do not need to show ID or proof of income.

Sherman County Food Pantry 903 Barnett St., Wasco 3rd Saturdays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Rufus Food Pantry 304 W 2nd St., Rufus 2nd Fridays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and 4th Fridays, 4 to 6 p.m. For food emergencies only, call: 541-980-1114 or 541-980-0793

Hot Meals

These places serve free and low-cost meals.

Senior & Community Center Meal

\$4 suggested donation for ages 60+, \$7 suggested donation for those under 60. Open to all. No one turned away. 300 Dewey St., Moro

Monday-Friday at 11:30 a.m.

jan@shermancounty.net

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To apply, contact the Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS): 700 Union Street, Suite 128, The Dalles 541-296-4661

To apply for benefits online: www.apps.state.or.us/onlineApplication

WIC (Women, Infants, & Children)

WIC is a program to help buy food for women with lower incomes who are pregnant or have a child 5 or younger. Fathers can also apply for WIC for their children.

To apply, contact the North Central Public Health District: 419 E 7th St., The Dalles 541-506-2610 www.ncphd.org/programs/women-infants-children-wic

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Seniors can contact the Oregon Health Authority to apply: 1-866-299-3562 WIC families can contact their local WIC office to apply: 1-800-723-3638

Frontier Veggie Rx

Some doctors may be able to prescribe you "Frontier Veggie Rx." With Frontier Veggie Rx, you can get coupons to buy fresh fruits and veggies. Visit www.gobhi.org/programs/veggierx or call 541-298-2101 to learn more.

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Summer Meals

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Backpack Program

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2937 E 2nd St., The Dalles (across from Big Jim's)

www.facebook.com/windyrivergleaners

Farmers Markets

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Sherman County Farmers Market

Downtown Moro, Hwy 97

1st Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., from May to October

- **SNAP Match**: Use your SNAP EBT card at the Information Booth and get twice that amount in tokens to buy food, up to \$10. For example, if you swipe your EBT card for \$10, you will get \$20 in tokens to spend at the Market! The Market accepts all EBT cards from any state.
- Farmers Markets accept **WIC and Senior Farmers Market Vouchers**, **Frontier Veggie Rx**, and **EBT** cards from any state.

Where to Find Free and Low-Cost Food in Skamania County

Food Pantries

Food at food pantries is free to all. You can get food even if you get SNAP, WIC, or other benefits. You do not need to show ID or proof of income.

Stevenson Food Pantry

683 Rock Creek Dr., Stevenson Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 to 3:30 p.m. 509-493-2662

Hot Meals

These places serve free and low-cost meals.

Rock Creek Center Meal

\$3 suggested donation for seniors, \$5 fee if you are under age 60 710 SW Rock Creek Dr, Stevenson Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 12 p.m. 509-427-3990

Meals on Wheels

\$3 suggested donation
If you are a homebound senior over 60 or a homebound person with disabilities of any age, call 509-427-3994 to ask about a home meal delivery.

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www.gorgegleaning.com | www.facebook.com/ColumbiaGorgeGleaning

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To apply, contact the Stevenson Branch Community Service Office: 266 SW 2nd St., Stevenson 877-501-2233 www.dshs.wa.gov/location/dshs-cso-030

WIC (Women, Infants, & Children)

WIC is available to low-to-moderate income women who are either pregnant or have a child age 5 or under to help buy groceries. Fathers can also apply for WIC for their children.

To apply, contact the Skamania County Health Department: 710 SW Rock Creek Dr., Stevenson 509-427-3850

WIC or Senior Farmers Market Vouchers

This is also called the Farmers Market Nutrition Program (FMNP). This program gives coupons, or vouchers, to low income seniors and WIC families. With these coupons you can buy fresh, locally grown fruits and veggies at farmers markets and farm stands in summer and fall.

Seniors can call 1-800-422-3263 to apply. WIC families can call 1-800-841-1410 to apply.

Healthy Eating

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Summer Meals

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Farmers Markets

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Stevenson Farmers Market

Courthouse Lawn (167 Hwy 14, Stevenson)
Saturdays, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., from mid-June to the first week in October www.stevensonfarmersmarket.com

- **SNAP Match**: Use your SNAP EBT card and get twice that amount in tokens to buy food, up to \$10. For example, if you swipe your EBT card for \$10, you will get \$20 in tokens to spend at the Market!
- WIC and Senior Farmers Market Vouchers Match: the Stevenson Farmers Market will double the value of these vouchers for you!
- **POP** (**Power of Produce**): Children get a free \$2 token to spend on fruits and veggies every time they come to the market.
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Where to Find Free and Low-Cost Food in Wasco County

Food Pantries

Food at food pantries is free to all. You can get food even if you get SNAP, WIC, or other benefits. You do not need to show ID or proof of income.

CGCC Chinook Campus Pantry

400 E Scenic Dr., The Dalles, Wednesday & Thursday 2-5 pm 509-942-9924

Dufur School Food Pantry

802 NE 5th Street, Dufur Thursdays, 4 to 6 p.m. 541-993-1443

The Salvation Army Food Pantry

623 E 3rd St., The Dalles Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 1 to 3 p.m. 541-296-6417

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

505 W 9th St., The Dalles Tuesdays 1 to 3 p.m., and Thursdays 3 to 5 p.m. 541-296-9566

Wahtonka Community School Food Pantry

3601 W 10th St., The Dalles 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 3 to 6 p.m. 541-370-2333

Windy River Gleaners

2937 E 2nd St., The Dalles Tuesdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. 541-270-2499

Celilo Village Food Drop

For Celilo Village residents, tribal members and fishers 541-370-2333

Hot Meals

These places serve free and low-cost meals.

Mid-Columbia Senior Center Community Meal

\$4 suggested donation. No one turned away. 1112 W 9th St., The Dalles Monday through Friday, 12 to 1:30 p.m. 541-298-8333

Dufur Pioneer Potlatch

\$5 suggested donation. No one turned away. Dufur Methodist Church (320 NE 2nd St., Dufur) Wednesdays, 12 to 1 p.m. 541-298-4354

Bread & Blessings

Free to all St. Vincent de Paul (315 W 3rd St., The Dalles) Monday through Friday, 9 to 11 a.m. 541-298-3477 or 541-296-7778

Meals on Wheels

If you are a homebound senior over 60 or a homebound person with disabilities of any age, call 541-298-8333 for a home delivery.

Mosier Pioneer Potlatch

\$5 suggested donation. No one turned away. 501 E 2nd St., Mosier Mondays and Wednesdays, 12 to 1 p.m. 541-298-4354

Tygh Valley Community Center Pioneer Potlach

\$5 suggested donation. No one turned away. 57594 Tygh Valley Rd., Tygh Valley Thursdays, 1 to 2 p.m. 541-298-4354

The Dalles Community Meal

Free to all St. Vincent de Paul (315 W 3rd St., The Dalles) Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, 4:30 p.m. 541-298-3477 or 541-296-7778

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The Dalles Farmers Market

The Dalles City Park, on 5th and Union Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. From June to the second Saturday in Oct. www.thedallesfarmersmarket.com

Mobile Farmers Market

Mid-Columbia Senior Center (1112 W 9th St., The Dalles) Wednesdays, 4 to 6 p.m. www.gorgegrown.com/mobilemarket

- \$10 SNAP Match: Use your SNAP EBT card at the Information Booth and get twice that amount in tokens to buy food, up to \$10. For example, if you swipe your EBT card for \$10, you will get \$20 in tokens to spend at the Market! Markets accept all EBT cards from any state.
- **POP** (Power of Produce): Children get a free \$2 token to spend on fruits and veggies every time they come to the market.
- Farmers Markets accept **WIC and Senior Farmers Market Vouchers, Veggie Rx**, and **EBT** cards from any state.

Gleaning Groups

These groups collect food from farms, gardens, and grocery stores that would be wasted. Volunteers and food pantries get this food.

Columbia Gorge Gleaning Project

Brings groups of volunteers out to farms, orchards, and gardens to harvest veggies and fruit that would go to waste. Volunteers can keep up to half of what they harvest. They donate the rest to food pantries. It is free and open to all.

Contact: gleaning@gorgegrown.com

503-490-6553

www.gorgegleaning.com | www.facebook.com/ColumbiaGorgeGleaning

Windy River Gleaners

Collects extra food from grocery stores, local farms, orchards, and gardens to share with the community. It is free and open to everyone. No one will be turned away.

Contact: silverbirdore@yahoo.com

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