2023 Three County Fair Food Drive Set for March 25

Three County Fair to Provide Complimentary Tickets to the Fair for Each Vehicle That Donates

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Northampton, MA – The Hampshire, Franklin & Hampden Agricultural Society, the non-profit organization that manages the Three County Fair and fairgrounds, will be conducting their 2023 Food Drive on Saturday, March 25 outside of their main office at 54 Fair Street in Northampton. The Fair held successful food drives in 2020 collecting more than 2,000 pounds of food and returned the food drive last year with the intent to make it an annual event.

The Fair is seeking non-perishable foods such as canned fruit, soup, tuna, and vegetables, plus cereal, pasta, pasta sauce and peanut butter for area food pantries who have partnered with the Fair including the Northampton Survival Center, the Easthampton Community Center, the Franklin County Community Meals Program, the Helping Hands Cupboard Food Pantry at BUCC in Belchertown and the Picknelly Adult & Family Education Center Cupboard in Holyoke managed by the United Way of Pioneer Valley.

"With the continued economic uncertainty and other long-term effects that followed the pandemic, the Three County Fair recognizes the great need residents across Western Mass face each and every day," said James Przypek, General Manager of the Fair. "We would like to invite everyone who is able to stop by the food drive on the 25th, make a contribution of non-perishable food items and receive a pair of free tickets to the Fair for helping out their neighbors."

Each vehicle that donates will be supplied with a pair of complimentary tickets to the 2023 Three County Fair, September 1-4. Donations can be dropped off at the Fair's main office at 54 Fair Street in Northampton between the hours of 10am-1pm on Saturday, March 25th. The Fair requests that donations be compiled in disposable bags or boxes for volunteers to easily accept them from vehicles.

About the Hampshire, Franklin & Hampden County Agricultural Society:

Located in Northampton, Massachusetts and incorporated in 1818, the Hampshire, Franklin & Hampden County Agricultural Society promotes agriculture, agricultural education, agricultural science and sustainability for the region through exhibitions, displays, competitions and demonstrations and annually operates The Three County Fair, recognized by the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture as the oldest ongoing Fair in continuous operation in the U.S.A, with the first Three County Fair taking place, October 14-15, 1818 and every year since without interruption.

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