

FoodWise Nutrition

July 2025 Newsletter



Healthy Choices, Healthy Lives

WHAT IS FOODWISE?

FoodWise is federally funded statewide by the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program—Education (SNAP-Ed) and the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP). We advance healthy eating habits, active lifestyles and healthy community environments for Wisconsin residents with limited incomes through nutrition education at the individual, community and systems levels.

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TURTLE ISLAND TALES UPDATE

In June, we distributed packets to the Red Cliff ECC classrooms. This month they had materials in them that were about "Outdoor Adventures." For the classroom education, we highlighted materials that were distributed last month, the topic was "Sneaky Screens." We played outside with bubbles and had homemade popsicles.



Next month will be our last month of handing out packets and doing classroom programming, stay tuned!

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IRON COUNTY MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

The next Iron County Mobile Food Pantry takes place on Monday, July 28 from 12:00-1:00 pm. For more information about this program, contact Extension Iron County office manager, Rebecca Holm at:

Phone: 715-561-2695 Email: rebecca.holm@wisc.edu



You can also visit the Extension Iron County website for more details, including income eligibility and other food resources available to Iron County residents.

<https://iron.extension.wisc.edu/>



Cucumbers are The Harvest of the Month!

Add cucumbers to your favorite family meals:

- Add cucumbers to pasta salad for a cool crunch.
- Pair with tomatoes and feta cheese for a simple salad.
- Use cucumber slices instead of crackers for dips and spreads.

Make meals and memories together. It's a lesson kids will use for life.

Select – Choose firm cucumbers with dark green color.

Store – Refrigerate in a plastic bag for up to 1 week.

Prepare – Rinse with cool running water and slice. Keep the skin on for extra nutrients!

Did you know?

Have you heard the phrase “cool as a cucumber”? The inside of a cucumber is 20 degrees cooler than outside temperatures during the summer. You can cool off with cucumber!



Nutritious, Delicious, Wisconsin!
#WIHarvestoftheMonth



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COMMUNITY HEALTH & NUTRITION INITIATIVES UPDATES

The CDC's \$2.5 million grant to Menominee County/Nation and the UW–Madison Division of Extension in Ashland County continues to support efforts focused on increasing access to healthy foods, physical activity, and early childhood wellness. All initiatives are rooted in culturally relevant strategies and built in partnership with local communities. Here are current updates from Bad River:

- Boys & Girls Club - Nutrition policy development is ongoing, with preparations in place for CACFP enrollment once the DPI portal reopens. The team is also exploring youth walking assessments. In collaboration with FoodWise, FRTEP, and Food Sovereignty, restoration of the club's garden beds continues, alongside youth-centered education.
- Head Start - Participation in the policy committee continues, along with ongoing conversations around creating a comprehensive nutrition policy. Partners are exploring Farm to ECE opportunities. Garden bed restoration and educational support are progressing in collaboration with FoodWise, FRTEP, and Food Sov.
- Elder & Senior Nutrition - Recent meetings with the Bad River Elder Center focused on improving access to FMNP vouchers and integrating FoodWise programming. Discussions around nutrition policy development remain active.
- Health and Wellness Clinic - Preparing a document with survey results to share with community members. Collaboration continues with FoodWise and clinic wellness staff. Monthly Produce Prescription meetings with local partners are ongoing, with discussions progressing around future nutrition policy development.
- Local Food Purchasing Assistance (LFPA) - Monthly advisory meetings at the fish house remain active, each focused on a different theme (e.g., food safety, volunteer systems). Continued support is being provided for infrastructure and programming needs.

FOOD RESOURCES FOR ASHLAND & BAYFIELD COUNTY RESIDENTS



Cable Community Center, Community dinners

2nd Tuesday of the month, October to April, 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM
13660 County Hwy M, Cable WI

Genesis 1990, Inc.

Free 'Soup Kitchen' Lunch,
Every Wednesday, 11am – 1pm, Open to the Public over age 18
1416 3rd St W, Ashland, WI, (715) 682-0375

Grace Bible Fellowship

Occasional Free Community Meals
73605 Hwy 13, Washburn, WI, (715) 373-1175

Hearts to End Hunger

Mobile kitchen, www.heartstoendhunger.com

Nooji'mowewin Recovery Center

Occasional Free/Potluck Community Meals
37450 Water Tower Rd, Red Cliff, WI, (715) 779-3508

Senior Congregate Dining, Ashland County Aging Unit

\$5 per meal, Ages 60+, Meals on Wheels available
Ashland (715) 682-4414 Butternut (715) 769-9417
Glidden (715) 264-3682 Mellen (715) 274-8251
Sanborn (715) 278-3955, www.ashlandaging.org

Food Share (SNAP / food stamps / EBT)

Se habla espanol
(877) 366-3635, GetAQuestCard.org

Bad River Food Distribution

73451 Maple St, Odanah, WI
Monday – Friday, 8:00am – 4:30am
Tribal member eligibility and income guidelines
(715) 682-7892

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Bad River Emergency Food Shelf

72682 Maple St, Odanah, WI

Once per month, 2-3 day food supply

Tribal member eligibility and income guidelines

(715) 682-7127

Barnes Community Church—Food Shelf

Open to residents 15-mile radius of Barnes

320 County Highway N, Barnes, WI

2nd Wednesday of each month, 9am - 11am

(715) 795-2195

The BRICK Ministries, Inc

Food Shelves

Once per month TEFAP pantries, Income guidelines

Open to WI residents, Proxy option available

Pantries in Ashland, Cable, Cornucopia, and Mellen

(715) 682-7425

Cable United Church of Christ

Food Pantry

13445 County Hwy M, Cable, WI

(715) 798-3066

Chequamegon Community Church (C3)

Food Pantry and Personal Care items

1451 County Hwy C, Washburn, WI

(715) 373-2939

CORE Community Resources

Food Shelf, Monthly Community Meals / Potlucks

257 Manypenny Ave. (Former Maggie's restaurant location), Bayfield, WI

Serves Northern Bayfield County Barksdale to Port Wing

Every other Thursday, 10am - 1pm

Volunteer delivery available.

(715) 779-3457, www.corecr.org

Red Cliff Food Distribution

Food Shelf, Summer Lunch program

88430 Pike Rd (Hwy 13), Red Cliff, WI

Monday - Friday, 8am - 4pm

Tribal member eligibility and income guidelines

(715) 779-3740

Red Cliff Emergency Food Shelf

37510 New Housing Rd, Red Cliff, WI

Once per month by appointment, 2-3 day food supply

Tribal member eligibility and income guidelines

(715) 779-3706

Rural Care and Share

Once per month TEFAP pantries, Income guidelines

Peace Lutheran Church, 9523 US Highway 2, Poplar, (715) 364-2495

Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 68160 S. George St., Iron River

(715) 372-8728

Ruby's Pantry

Ashland Summit Church: 400 Salem Drive, Ashland, WI

4th Saturday of the month, 9:30 am - 11:00 am

Butternut School: 312 Wisconsin St., Butternut, WI 54514

4th Saturday of the month. 11:00am - 12:30pm

Hayward Wesleyan Church: 10655 Nyman Ave., Hayward, WI

3rd Thursday of the month

Registration 4:00pm, Distribution 4:30pm - 6:00pm

(715) 634-4613

\$25 per share, www.rubyspantry.org

St. John's United Church of Christ—Food Shelf

706 Main St., LaPointe (Madeline Island), WI

Open to Island residents

(715) 747-3945

WIC (Women, Infant, & Children)

Eligible if pregnant, breastfeeding, new mother, or a child under 5 years old

Bay Area WIC, (715) 682-6661,

Red Cliff WIC, (715) 779-3707

Bad River WIC, (715) 682-7139

WI Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CFSP/ Senior Stockbox)

Supplemental Food Packages for Seniors 60+

Ashland County office (715) 292-6400, ext. 1 or (715) 392-5127

Bayfield County office (715) 394-3644

www.northwest-csa.org