



# Franklin / Grand Isle Food Resources Guide

A regional guide to food shelves, meal sites and food programs in Vermont's Franklin and Grand Isle Counties

Winter / Spring 2024





## Franklin / Grand Isle Food Shelves and Pantries

Town	Food Shelf	Day	Time	Address	Contact
Alburgh	NorthWest Family Foods	Last 2 Tuesdays each month	11:00AM	Islands in the Sun Community Center 57 S. Main St. Alburgh, VT	802-527-7392
Enosburg	Enosburg Food Shelf	Thursday	9:00AM – 5:00PM	Corner of Main and Missisquoi St. Enosburg Falls, VT	802-933-4193 (Kathy Gaston)
Fairfax	Fairfax Community Food Shelf	First 2 Wednesdays each month	9:00AM -12:00PM	United Church of Fairfax 8 Fletcher Rd. Fairfax, VT	802-849-6588
Fairfield	Fairfield Community Food Shelf	Tuesday	3:00PM – 6:00PM	Fairfield Community Center 124 School St. Fairfield, VT	802-827-3130
Georgia	Georgia Food Shelf	Last 2 Wednesdays each month	4:00PM – 5:00PM	Georgia Market 962 Ethan Allen Hwy Georgia, VT	802-524-3240 (Jolly Bates)
Grand Isle	Champlain Islands Food Shelf	Wednesday & first Saturday each month	Wed: 1PM – 4PM Sat: 9AM – 11AM	Grand Isle United Methodist Church 8 Hyde Rd. Grand Isle, VT	802-318-4704; champlainislands foodshelf@gmail. com
Highgate	Highgate Food Shelf	Monday & Tuesday	2:00PM - 5:30PM	Highgate Methodist Church Community Center 3060 Rte. 78 Highgate, VT	802-868-4921
lsle Lamotte	NorthWest Family Foods	Last 2 Tuesdays each month	12:00PM	St. Joseph's Church 2176 Main St. Isle Lamotte, VT	802-527-7392
Montgomery	Montgomery Food Shelf	Call for an appointment		Montgomery United Methodist Church 20 Fuller Bridge Rd. Montgomery, VT	802-326-4651
Richford	Richford Food Shelf	Monday, Wednesday & Friday	Mon: 5PM – 7PM Wed: 2PM – 4PM Fri: 9AM – 12PM	NOTCH Partnering Project Building 53 Main St. Richford, VT	802-255-5515
Sheldon	Sheldon Interfaith Food Shelf	Monday, Tuesday, 10/	n: 4PM – 6PM; Tues: AM – 1PM; Thurs: 4PM – M; Sat: 12PM – 3PM	Sheldon Methodist Church 53 Church St. Sheldon, VT	802-527-7392
St. Albans	NorthWest Family Foods	Monday – Friday	12:00PM – 4:00PM	5 Lemnah Dr. St. Albans, VT	802-527-7392
Swanton	Abenaki Nation of Missisquoi Food Pantry	Monday, Wednesday & Friday	9:00AM – 2:00PM	Abenaki of Missisquoi Tribal Office 100 Grand Ave. Swanton, VT	802-868-6255
Swanton	Swanton Food Shelf	Tuesday	9:00AM - 12:00PM	Church of Nativity Parish Hall 65 Canada St. Swanton, VT	802-868-4162



## Franklin / Grand Isle Meal Sites

Town	Site	Day	Time	Address	Contact
Fairfield	Fairfield Community Center	Tuesday	1:30PM – 3:00PM	124 School St. East Fairfield, VT	Phone: 802-827-3130 Email: fccvt.info@gmail.com Website: www.fairfieldcommunitycenter.org
St. Albans	Martha's Kitchen	Everyday	11:00AM – 1:00PM	139 Lake St. Albans, VT	Phone: 802-524-9749 Email: MarthasKitchen802@gmail.com Website: www.marthascommunitykitchen802.org
Sheldon	Sheldon Interfaith Food Shelf	Call for availability		45 Church St. Sheldon, VT	Phone: 802-933-4487 or 802-933-7356 Email: sumc_foodshelf@outlook.com Website: www.facebook.com/SheldonVermontFoodShelf

## Franklin / Grand Isle Commodity Supplemental Food Program Pick-Up Sites

Town	Site	Town	Site
Alburgh	Amadeus Parish Hall 75 N. Main St. Alburgh, VT	St. Albans	Four Winds Apartments 145 N. Elm St. St. Albans, VT
Alburgh	Pine Manor Apartments 6 Lake St. Alburgh, VT	St. Albans	American Legion 1oo Parah St. St. Albans City, VT
East Fairfield	East Fairfield Community Center 124 School St. East Fairfield, VT	St. Albans	Hawk's Nest 110 Hawks Nest St. Albans, VT
Enosburg Falls	St. John the Baptist 2 Missisquoi St. Enosburg Falls, VT	St. Albans	Beth-El Court 53 Federal St. St. Albans, VT
Grand Isle	Round Bard Homestead 29 Faywood Rd. Grand Isle, VT	Swanton	School Apartments 31 Church St. Swanton, VT
Montgomery	Montgomery Food Shelf 20 Fuller Bridge Rd. Montgomery, VT	Swanton	Swanton Meadows 20 Meadow Ln. Swanton, VT
Richford	Missisquoi Manor 70 Liberty St. Richford, VT	Swanton	Swanton Village Apartments 39 Platt St. Swanton, VT
Richford	All Saints Church 152 Main St. Richford, VT	Swanton	Church of Nativity 65 Canada St. Swanton, VT
St. Albans	Holy Angels Apartments 246 Lake St. St. Albans, VT	See page 6 for more C	SFP details.



#### 3SquaresVT (SNAP)

For individuals and households to help stretch their budgets by helping buy food from grocery and convenience stores, farmers markets, and co-ops across the state. 3SquaresVT benefits are deposited each month on an EBT card, which works like a debit card. For more information or application support, visit www.vermontfoodhelp.com/apply-now or text VFBSNAP to 85511.

#### See page 7 for income eligibility guidelines.

For application support:

- Call **2-1-1**
- Text VFBSNAP to 85511
- Send an email to 3SVT@vtfoodbank.org

For people 60 or older, call the Helpline at **1-800-642-5119** for personalized assistance.

Call **1-800-479-6151** to speak with a Benefits Specialist at DCF-ESD.

#### **Meals for Kids**

This school year, meals are free for all kids. For information on area school meal programs, contact the school administrator, or call **2-1-1**.

If a child is in childcare, ask the provider if they participate in the **Child and Adult Care Food Program**, or if they offer meals and snacks through a different program.

#### WIC

For pregnant individuals, or a caregiver or parent with a child under five. WIC provides access to healthy foods, nutrition education and counseling, breastfeeding support, and community referrals. Most services are being done by phone appointment. For more information, call **2-1-1** or text **VTWIC** to **85511**.

## Programs for Older Adults and People Living with Disabilities

#### **Meals on Wheels**

Older Vermonters and people living with disabilities or other qualifying conditions can have free meals delivered to their home through Meals on Wheels. Some people may also be eligible for assistance with grocery shopping. For more information about meals for older adults and people living with disabilities, call the Senior HelpLine at **1-800-642-5119**.

#### **Community Meal Programs**

Age Well offers a variety of meal programs for older adults living in northwestern Vermont. Contact Laura Need, Age Well Nutrition Coordinator at **802-662-5264** or **Ineed@agewellvt.org** for information. **See page 5 for expanded program details**.

#### **Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)**

For people aged 60 or older and who meet income guidelines, they can receive a free box of food every month through the CSFP. For more information and to apply, go to vtfoodbank.org/share-food/csfp or call 1-800-214-4648. See page 2 for a list of CSFP locations in Franklin / Grand Isle.

#### Food Assistance through the Vermont Foodbank Network

The Vermont Foodbank supports Vermonters during all times of need. For resources and service information visit **vtfoodbank.org/gethelp** or call **1-800-585-2265**.

## **Other Food Programs**

#### Crop Cash

Can't access a grocery

store?

3SquaresVT benefits

can be used with

programs like Instacart,

DoorDash and

Hannaford, Contact

3SquaresVT to learn

more.

Multiply your 3SquareVT/SNAP dollars with Crop Cash at a Farmers Market that accepts 3SquaresVT/SNAP benefits. Learn more at www.vermontfoodhelp.com or text VFBSNAP to 85511.

#### Farm To Family

Farm To Family coupons may be used to buy locally-grown, fresh fruits, fresh vegetables and fresh-cut herbs at participating farmers markets and farm stands. Call the Franklin / Grand Isle Community Action for application information for 2024 at **802-527-7392**.

#### Farm Stand Match

3SquaresVT customers will automatically save 50% on fresh fruits, vegetables, culinary herbs, and culinary plant seeds and when they spend their benefits at participating farm stands. There is no limit and no application process.

#### Senior Farm Share Program

The Senior Farm Share Program helps limited-income seniors living in participating housing sites to access fresh locallygrown fruits and vegetables from their local farmer during the growing season. Contact Johanna Doren at farmshare@nofavt.org or 802-434-7162.

#### **NOFA-VT Farm Share**

The Farm Share Program assists hundreds of income-eligible individuals and families in accessing a season's worth of fresh farm products by partially subsidizing the cost of shares. For information about upcoming enrollment and eligibility requirements, contact farmshare@nofavt.org or call 802-434-7162.





## **3SquaresVT (SNAP) Income Limits and Benefits Information**

3SquaresVT is a food program that is available to everyone who qualifies, for as long as they qualify. People in many different situations qualify for 3SquaresVT such as individuals, working families, older Vermonters, homeowners, people experiencing homelessness, college students, and people with disabilities, just for a few examples.

Monthly benefits amounts are based on household income, expenses, and size.

#### **Income Eligibility Guidelines**

Household Size	Expanded Gross Monthly Income Limit (185% FPL*)
1	\$2,248
2	\$3,041
3	\$3,833
4	\$4,625
5	\$5,418
6	\$6,210
7	\$7,003
8	\$7,795
9	\$8,588
10	\$9,380
For Each Additional Member Add	\$793

70,000 people in Vermont get money every month from 3SquaresVT but many more qualify.

## Find out if you're eligible!

#### Ways to apply:

- Call **2-1-1**
- Text VFBSNAP to 85511
- Send an email to

### 3SVT@vtfoodbank.org

- Call 1-800-479-6151 to speak with
- a Benefits Specialist at DCF-ESD.

Household Size	Maximum Monthly Benefit
1	\$291
2	\$535
3	\$766
4	\$973
5	\$1,115
6	\$1,386
Each Additional Member Add	\$219

**Monthly Benefits Amounts** 

#### **3Squares in a SNAP**

3Squares in A SNAP is an easier way for older adults and disabled Vermonters to access 3SquaresVT. You may use this simplified process if EVERYONE applying in your household is:

- At least 60 years old or getting disability benefits,
- Not earning income from a job or self employment, and
- Buying food and making meals **together**.

If you DON'T meet all the criteria above, you must use the regular process to apply for 3SquaresVT.

For people 60 or older, call the Senior HelpLine at 1-800-642-5119 for personalized assistance with your application.

<sup>\*</sup>Federal Poverty Level These limits are for October 1, 2023 - September 30, 2024





## Franklin / Grand Isle Meal Programs for Older Adults

#### Grab & Go Meal Schedule

Available to individuals 60+ years of age and their spouse of any age. All meal recipients must register with Age Well once a year.

Advanced reservations only – please register one week in advance.

Age Well can only provide one meal per person but you are welcome to sign up to pick up meals at multiple sites.

Contact: Laura Need, Nutrition Coordinator Phone: 802-662-5264 Email: Ineed@agewellvt.org

Weekly Schedule and locations: Monday: Maquam Bay of Missisquoi 12:00PM – 1:00PM 100 Grand Ave. Swanton, VT

Tuesday: Sheldon Interfaith Food Shelf 11:00AM – 12:00PM 52 Church St. Sheldon, VT

Thursday: Highgate Library 12:00PM – 12:30PM 17 Mill Rd. Highgate Center, VT

Friday: Church of the Rock 11:00AM – 12:00PM 1091 Fairfax Rd. St. Albans, VT

Richford Food Shelf 11:00AM – 12:00PM NOTCH Partnering Project Building 53 Main St. Richford, VT

#### **Restaurant Ticket Program**

Older adults can make a \$5 donation to receive a ticket to dine at one of the participating regional establishments.

Tickets available at the Age Well office at 875 Roosevelt Hwy., Ste. 210 in Colchester or you can call 802-662-5200 for more information.

Participating Restaurants in Franklin / Grand Isle:

**The Abbey Restaurant** Tuesday – Sunday 11:30AM – 5:00PM **Phone:** 802-933-2223 6212 VT 105 Sheldon, VT **Greenwood Bakery & Deli** Contact directly for scheduled meals **Phone:** 802-848-9000 101 Main St. Richford, VT

#### **Sit Down Community Meals**

Age Well hosts community meals at over 70 locations. Programs vary from small rural gathers, to senior centers, to an ever-growing array of restaurants.

Contact Laura Need, Nutrition Coordinator at **802-662-5264** or **Ineed@agewellvt.org** for information about upcoming scheduled community meal events.

#### Meal Sites in Franklin / Grand Isle

Islands in the Sun Community Center 57 S. Main St. Alburgh, VT When: Second Friday of each month Contact: Michele Kelley Phone: 802-796-3054

#### Fairfield Community Center

124 School St. East Fairfield, VT When: Every Tuesday Contact: Megan Bushey Phone: 802-827-3130

#### Sheldon Interfaith Food Shelf

53 Church St. Sheldon, VT When: Last Thursday of each month Contact: Kathy Gorton Phone: 802-933-4487



**The Dairy Center** Contact directly for scheduled meals **Phone:** 802-933-2030 2445 Sampsonville Rd. Enosburg Falls, VT



## Franklin / Grand Isle Resources

Economic Services Division - District Office

Administers several benefits programs including **3SquaresVT**, **Essential Person, Fuel Assistance** and **Reach Up**.

27 Federal St., Ste. 400 St. Albans, VT 05478 **Hours:** 7:45AM – 4:30PM, Monday – Friday, except holidays

#### ESD Benefits Service Center Phone: 1-800-479-6151

**ESD Call Center Hours:** 8:00AM – 6:00PM and Friday, from 8:00AM – 4:15PM. Automated system available outside of business hours, on weekends and on state holidays.

For those who are deaf or hard of hearing: Dial 7-1-1 to reach the Vermont Relay Service (VRS). Ask the operator to call **1-800-479-6151.** 

Translation services available.

#### Franklin / Grand Isle Community Action

Provides a wide range of important services to the low-income residents including housing assistance, emergency fuel and utility assistance, emergency food shelves, transportation assistance, food stamp outreach, and other locally based services.

5 Lemnah Dr., Ste. 5 St. Albans, VT 05478

#### Phone: 802-527-7392

Hours: 8:30AM – 4:30PM, Monday – Friday, except holidays

#### Vermont Senior HelpLine

A resource of Age Well for people 60 and older that provides information on a wide range of programs and services, including Meals on Wheels and other food, health and wellness programs. **Phone: 1-800-642-5119** 

**Hours:** 8:30AM – 4:30PM, Monday – Friday (leave a message after hours.)

## Vermont 2-1-1

The Vermont 211 database contains information about programs and services available to Vermonters that are provided by local community groups, social service and health-related agencies, government organizations, and others. Services listed include:

- Basic Needs
- Consumer Services
- Criminal Justice and Legal Services
- Education
- Environment/Public Health/Public Safety
- Health Care
- Income Support and Employment
- Individual and Family Life
- Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services
- Organizational/Community Services

Search the database online at www.vermont211.org.

There are several ways to contact Vermont 2-1-1:

- 1. Dial 2-1-1 a local call from anywhere in Vermont
- 2. Call 1-866-652-4636 toll free in Vermont
- 3. Call 802-652-4636 from outside of Vermont
- 4. Text your zip code to 898211

The 211 contact center is available 24/7. Texting is only available Monday – Friday from 8:00AM – 10:00PM.

## **Other Community Resources**

Find Local Food - Northwestern Healthy Roots Collaborative

Find farm-fresh produce and meats, restaurants, farms stands and food purveyors in Franklin and Grand Isle. Visit **www.healthyrootsvt.org** for more information.

#### **SNAP Education (SNAP-Ed)**

SNAP-Ed is an evidence-based program teaches people to shop for and cook healthy meals and lead active lives. SNAP-Ed can help people learn how to make their SNAP dollars stretch, and understand the changes to their SNAP benefits. Learn more at **www.snaped.fns.usda.gov**.

## University of Vermont Extension's Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP)

A free program that empowers Vermonters to lead healthier lives through hands-on nutrition education. Programs serve income eligible parents, caregivers and expecting mothers, as well as children and teens. Learn more at **www.uvm.edu/extension/efnep**.

## **Social Media Groups**

There are social media groups dedicated to helping community member in need. Following are several local Facebook groups. This list is not inclusive of all groups available and will be updated periodically.

#### Helping Others (private group) Helping others Vermont (public group Helping others in VT (public group) Vermonts #1 Helping Others Site! (private group)



## **Help Me Grow Vermont**

For households with children in the home, Help Me Grow Vermont provides access to a range of family support services to promote the healthy development of children.

Phone: 2-1-1 x 6

Text: HMGVT to 898211 Email: info@helpmegrowvt.org Website: www.helpmegrowvt.org Hours: 8:00AM – 5:00PM, Monday – Friday (leave a message after hours.)





**NOTCH Locations** 

**Alburg Health Center** 64 Industrial Park Rd. Alburg, VT 05440

Phone: 802-796-4414 Enosburg Health Center 382 Main St. Enosburg Falls, VT 05450 Phone: 802-933-5831

**Fairfax Health Center** 1199 Main St. Fairfax, VT 05454 Phone: 802-849-2844

**Fairfax Pharmacy** 997 Main St. Fairfax, VT 05454 Phone: 802-849-2101 **Georgia Health Center** 4178 Highbridge Rd. Fairfax, VT 05454 Phone:802-528-2600

Richford Health Center 44 Main St., Ste. 200 Richford, VT 05476 Phone: 802-255-5500

**Richford Dental Clinic** 44 Main St., Ste. 400 Richford, VT 05476 Phone: 802-255-5520

**NOTCH Pharmacy** 44 Main St., Ste. 201 Richford, VT 05476 Phone: 802-255-5530 **St. Albans Health Center** 3 Crest Rd. St. Albans, VT 05478 Phone: 802-524-4554

**St. Albans Pharmacy** 3 Crest Rd. St. Albans, VT 05478 Phone: 802-527-6700

**NOTCH Primary Care** 12 Crest Rd. St. Albans VT, 05478 Phone: 802-524-4554

Swanton Health & Dental Center 26 Canada St. Swanton, VT 05488 Phone: 802-868-2454 Swanton Rexall 13 York St. Swanton, VT 05488 Phone: 802-868-3338

**Main Street Market** 44 Main St. Richford, VT 05476 Phone: 802-848-2148

NOTCH Departments NOTCH Administration Phone: 802-255-5560

NOTCH Billing Department Phone: 802-255-5580

NOTCH Care Coordination & Outreach Phone: 802-255-5570

NOTCH Partnering Project Phone: 802-255-5515

## About NOTCH

Northern Tier Center for Health (NOTCH) is a mission driven primary care practice with a focus on quality and continuity of care. We are a not-for-profit corporation governed by a community-based Board of Directors whose mission is to provide high-quality care in Vermont's Franklin and Grand Isle counties.

NOTCH's team of compassionate and devoted health care professionals and support staff develop long-term relationships with patients, often serving multi-generational families. The organization offers a full spectrum of health care services, including family medicine, internal medicine, behavioral health, pharmacy, lab, and general dentistry. Nothern Tier Center for Health

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