

# Food Security Initiatives - Food Packing Event

- The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (Southern Maryland) is looking for volunteers and a site to host its annual food packing and donation event, “Bag Hunger Southern Maryland” on September 23
  - They are seeking to partner with other entities to help sponsor. [Email Duane](#) or Mike for more information or if you would like to volunteer!
- Last year, they packaged 180,000 meals in 6 hours and donated them to food pantries, soup kitchens and homeless shelters
  - Their goal this year is to package 300,000 meals in the same amount of time!
- They are also seeking 2-3 501.c.3 entities that could be direct recipients of the funding/donations from the church
  - Recipients so far include Feed St. Mary’s and Ernie’s Plate in St. Mary’s county
  - Suggestion: [Solomon’s Mission](#) in Calvert county
- Additional resources
  - [Justserve.org](#) - an online platform to search and request volunteer services within your geographical location
  - Aside from its annual meal packing event, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints is able to donate large quantities of food (a full truck, or half a truck). If you are a food pantry that is interested, reach out to [Duane Johnson](#).