Midland County Food Assistance Network

November 2025

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Recap of Canstruction 2025

Local students doing their part to help combat hunger right in their hometown

On November 5th, Midland's youth and community sponsors bound together to show their support for MCFAN and raise awareness of Food Insecurity that happens in our hometown. This event brought together high school and middle school students from 7 local schools to compete in an impactful challenge. Using STEAM principles, the students created sculptures entirely out of food items, proving that "one CAN make a difference." The results spoke for themselves – 10,500 cans of food were donated to The Midland County Food Assistance Network (MCFAN). With MCFAN distributing approximately 15,000 items per month, this contribution will help impact the community.

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Awards

Technical Award (Middle School)
Winner of People's Choice Award and Most Cans Award
Team Name: Cake for a Cause- Constructing a sweet solution for hunger
Structure Name: Slice Out Hunger
Built By: St. Johns Lutheran School
Team Members: Abbie Dopp, Dylan Hoyt, Owen Lewis, Bingham McGuire, Lilly Wasson, Addie Allen, Ashley Brown, Hannah Lewis, Regan Martin, Sophia Wasson
Coach: Abby and Gary McGuire



Technical Award (High School)
Team Name: The Fishermen
Structure Name: fish...Fish...FISH...FISH!?!
Built By: Midland High School
Team Members: Elizabeth Fosgard, Ivy Kickland, Anna Martinson, Silas Lange, Eliott Monterosso.
Coach: Barb Kosick



Additional Entries

Team Name: Herbert's Birthday Party
Structure Name: Piece of Cake
Built By: Dow High School
Team Members: Abigale White, Oliva Jezewski, Tanner Witzke, Madalyn Blohm, Tyler Witzke, Jarica Tickle, Macy Christiansen.
Coach: Sarah Votruba



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Additional Entries

Team Name: Windover Wing Nuts
Structure Name: Bee-lieve in Community, it's sweeter than honey
Built By: Windover High School
Team Members: Naimah Owens, Carrie Cutshall, Brinlee Hitz, Ryan Craig, Kylie Zirwes, Katrina Poirer, Jackie Brown, Liam McKinney, Ayden Moeller
Coach: Dana Draper-Rosin



Team Name: Rogue Robots
Structure Name: Americ"Can" Flag
Built By: Midland Homeschool
Team Members: Aiden Mayes, James Fanning, Levi Cardinal, Christian Cole, Riley Mayes, Rachel Helgren, Logan Mayes, Henry Allen, William LeFevre, August Williams
Coach: Matt Mayes





Team Name: North Eats
Structure Name: The Northeast Smile Meal
Built By: Northeast Middle School
Team Members: Nora Lonsway, Thea Von Matt, Ella Luft, Flether Keyes
Coach: Barb Kosick



Team Name: Acrylic Angels
Structure Name: Halloween Cupcake
Built By: Jefferson Middle School
Team Members: Elyse Scholl, Ellyanor Boman, Kegan Dill, Aster Bryant, Regan Heleins
Evey Gill
Coach: Elizabeth Hazen



Holiday Greetings from Midland County Food Assistance Network (MCFAN)

What is community? At its heart, community is a group of people who care for one another, support each other in times of need, and work together to create a better life for everyone. At MCFAN, this sense of community drives our mission: ensuring there is "always food in every home."

This season, we are reminded of how blessed we are to live in a supportive community—a community that steps up to help neighbors in need, whether through financial support, food drives, or volunteering. It is this spirit of care and commitment that makes Midland County truly unique.

Right here in our county, an estimated 13,220 people face food insecurity—including 2,680 children and 1,454 seniors. Behind each number is a neighbor, friend, or family member working hard to make ends meet.

At MCFAN, we are committed to meeting these needs through programs like Snack Packs, Backpack Buddies, Mobile Pantries, and our local food pantries. But we cannot do it alone. With your support, we can make a real difference in the lives of our neighbors. Here are ways you can help:

- **Make a donation:** Every dollar you give goes further through our partnership with the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan.
- **Sponsor a Mobile Food Give-Away:** For $700, you can provide meals for 250 families through our mobile food distributions.
- **Hold a food drive:** Schools, offices, and clubs can organize food drives to support local pantries.
- **Volunteer your time:** We welcome volunteers of all ages and abilities—there is a role for everyone.
- **Spread the word:** Share our mission with family, friends, and networks to help us reach more people in need.

Every contribution, no matter the size, helps meet urgent needs and builds resilience in Midland County. Together, we can ensure that no neighbor has to worry about where their next meal will come from.
Please join us this holiday season in extending hope and nourishment to our community. Your generosity has the power to change lives—not just for a season, but for the future.

Wishing you and your loved ones a season filled with peace, joy, and love,

Terrah Johnson
Managing Director



Midland County Food Assistance Network Locations

Bullock Creek Outreach Pantry
at Messiah Lutheran Church
1550 S. Poseyville Rd.
989-631-5200

Greater Midland Coleman Family Center
4839 N. Coleman Schools Dr.
989-486-9393

Wheeler Road Church of Christ
1123 E. Wheeler St.
989-835-8559

Greater Midland North Family Center
2601. E. Shearer Rd.
989-689-7770

HELP Pantry at Memorial Presbyterian Church
1310 Ashman St.
989-835-6759

SAMS Pantry hosted by St. Johns Episcopal
503 S. Saginaw Rd.
989-631-2260

Sanford Pantry at Sanford United Methodist Church
2560 N. West River Rd.
989-687-5353

West Midland Family Center
4011 W. Isabella Rd.
989-832-3256

MCFAN Warehouse
503 S. Saginaw Rd.
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