



# Food For Families. Thanks to you.

Help fill a box and give back.

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## Health and Safety

### Pack boxes with care

- Pack boxes with a combination of light and heavy items, so they don't get too heavy.
- Distribute weight evenly in the box.
- Make sure boxes are not overfilled, so they can be properly closed and sealed.
- Boxes that feel heavy must be labeled, or even better unpacked and redistributed.
- Do this by folding the edges of each side of the lid backwards, and then insert the tips at each end into the provided slots by folding forward.

### Plan lifting before you start

- Keep loading zones organised, clear all obstructions and hazards.
- Reduce carrying distances where possible.
- Use trolleys to move boxes.
- Lift by the rules and be a good role model.
- Only lift to your capacity or ask for help.
- Get close to the side of the box.
- Keep your bag straight, Bend your knees slightly, grip box firmly and lift.

### Box collection

- Ensure boxes are stored at a collection point near a main entry, with clear access and available space as close to vehicle parking as possible.
- Park cars and vans on a flat surface for loading and unloading.
- Provide trolleys - support volunteers or drivers to collect boxes quickly and safely.

### House keeping

- An organised, clean, clear site is a safe site.
- Mark safe pathways and zones with tape.
- Organise dedicated, efficient areas for drop-off, sorting and storing.
- If things get messy, stop and re-organise.



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