

# Drive Thru Food Drive Set for May 9 by the Three County Fair

*To Benefit Local Food Pantries in Hampden, Hampshire & Franklin Counties*

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**Northampton, MA** – The Hampshire, Franklin & Hampden Agricultural Society, the non-profit organization that manages the oldest continuously operated agricultural fair in the country, will be conducting a Drive Thru Food Drive on Saturday, May 9 at the Three County Fair Arena in Northampton.

The Fair is seeking non-perishable foods such as canned fruit, soup, tuna, and vegetables, plus cereal, pasta, pasta sauce and peanut butter for area food pantries in each of the three counties that the Fair represents including the Easthampton Community Center, Greenfield's Salvation Army Food Pantry and Lorraine's Soup Kitchen & Food Pantry in Chicopee.

"We are happy to support our local food pantries with this Drive Thru Food Drive. Each one we contacted with our plans were excited to hear from us and expressed that this will help ease their continuing needs," stated James Przypek, General Manager of the Three County Fair. "The event has been coordinated with both the Health & Safety departments for the City of Northampton and we appreciate their guidance and assistance during these challenging times for all."

Donations can be dropped off at the Fair's Arena located at 54 Old Ferry Road in Northampton between the hours of 9am-3pm on May 9<sup>th</sup>. Each vehicle that donates will be provided with a complimentary ticket to the 2020 Three County Fair, scheduled for September 4-7. The Fair requests that donations be compiled in disposable bags or boxes for volunteers to easily accept them from vehicles.

## **About the Hampshire, Franklin & Hampden County Agricultural Society:**

Located in Northampton, Massachusetts and incorporated in 1818, the Hampshire, Franklin & Hampden County Agricultural Society promotes agriculture, agricultural education, agricultural science and sustainability for the region through exhibitions, displays, competitions and demonstrations and operates The Three County Fair, "America's Oldest Fair" annually over Labor Day weekend.

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