



## **A Neighborly Welcome: Food Lion to Restock Local Food Pantries in Advance of Grand Openings**

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Through Food Lion Feeds, Grocer Will Donate 60,000 Meals to Virginia Beach, Va., and Hampton, Va., Residents in Need

**What:** Food Lion is donating meals to local Virginia Beach, Va., and Hampton Va., food pantries, including Freedom Fellowship Food Pantry and the food pantry at Buckroe Baptist Church, in advance of its May 9 [grand openings](#). The grocer will donate 30,000 meals to each organization in order to restock their shelves.

Food Lion believes it truly represents the towns and cities it serves. This donation reflects its commitment to Virginia Beach and Hampton, Va., communities. The effort also supports the grocer's pledge to provide 500 million meals by the end of 2020 through its Food Lion Feeds hunger-relief platform, because no one should have to make tough choices such as between dinner and rent, or gas and groceries.

**Who:** Local Food Lion associate volunteers and leaders

Food bank representatives

### **Where:**

Freedom Fellowship  
836 Regency Drive  
Virginia Beach, Va. 23454  
9 a.m. until 10 a.m.

Buckroe Baptist Church  
1819 N. Mallory Street  
Hampton, Va. 23664  
10 a.m. until 11 a.m.

**When:** Thursday, May 3

**Details:** In advance of its May 9 grand openings, Food Lion is restocking the food pantries at Freedom Fellowship in Virginia Beach as well as Buckroe Baptist Church with 30,000 meals each in order to help feed those in the Virginia Beach, and Hampton, Va., areas who may be in need. The new store will replace two previous Farm Fresh grocery stores and are located at 1615 General Booth Blvd. in Virginia Beach, Va., and 608 E. Mercury Blvd. in Hampton, Va.

### **About Food Lion**

Food Lion, based in Salisbury, N.C., since 1957, has more than 1,000 stores in 10 Southeastern and Mid-Atlantic states and employs more than 63,000 associates. By leveraging its longstanding heritage of low prices and convenient locations, Food Lion is working to own the easiest full shop grocery experience in the Southeast, anchored by a strong commitment to affordability, freshness and the communities it serves. Through Food Lion Feeds, the company has committed to provide 500 million meals to individuals and families in need by the end of 2020. Food Lion is a company of Ahold Delhaize USA, the U.S. division of Zaandam-based Royal Ahold Delhaize Group. For more information, visit [www.foodlion.com](http://www.foodlion.com).

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