

HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE IN JOHNSON COUNTY 2024

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EVENT: Johnson County Thanksgiving Banquet (FREE)

- Event Description: A full turkey dinner will be served free of charge. Please join us **IN-PERSON** for a Thanksgiving meal!
- Who can participate? Anyone – no residency requirement for banquet
- To receive dinner: Come, no reservations required
- To request homebound delivery: Must be a homebound resident of Johnson County. Call 317-662-0199 or email (see address below) by November 27th
- Date & Time: Thanksgiving Day
November 28, 2023 at 11am-2pm
- Place / Address: Johnson County Fairgrounds Scott Hall
250 Fairground Street, Franklin, Indiana
No Drive Thru this year!
- To make donations: Send check to Johnson County Banquets,
PO Box 207, Franklin, IN 46131
- To volunteer: Call 317-662-0199 or email (see address below)
- For more information: Call 317-662-0199, leave message
Email: turkeydinner@johnsoncountybanquets.org
Facebook: [Facebook.com/JohnsonCoBanquets](https://www.facebook.com/JohnsonCoBanquets)

EVENT: Good Cheer

- Event Description: Provides Food Baskets to Johnson County Families during the Christmas Season
- Who can participate? Johnson County residents who need extra assistance to put food on the table or pay bills
- To receive assistance: Call 317-409-9027 for an application by December 13th
- Date & Time: Food will be delivered the morning of December 21st
- Place / Address: Food is delivered to the participants
- To donate or volunteer: Call 317-409-9027
- For more information: Call 317-409-9027
Email: jacob.sappenfield@bankatfirst.com
Facebook: Good Cheer Fund of Johnson County

EVENT: Christmas Angels, a program of United Way of Johnson County

- Event Description: Matches local families with sponsors who can provide toys and clothing to children during the holiday season
 - Who can participate? **Johnson County families**
 - To sign-up for assistance:
 - If your children attend a Johnson County school, please contact your school counselor to receive an application
 - If your children are not in school (including preschool), go to website, uwjc.org to request a Christmas Angels application.
 - **Must apply by November 6, 2024**
 - Place / Address: No in-person applications will be taken.
 - To donate: Go to website, uwjc.org to be a gift sponsor or family sponsor.
 - No additional volunteers needed at this time.
 - For more information: After receiving your application and reading all enclosed information, if you are still unclear about something, please email ChristmasAngels@uwjc.org or call 317-494-6241 and leave a message.
- Email: ChristmasAngels@uwjc.org
Website: uwjc.org

EVENT: Greenwood Christian Church Operation Christmas

- Event Description: Matches families who need Christmas assistance with sponsors who love to give
 - Who can participate? Anyone in Johnson County
 - To receive assistance: Go to website, click on “Resources” then “Operation Care,” then “Operation Christmas, Assistance Needed” and click on “Apply for Assistance.”
 - Date & Time: **Deadline for applications is November 16th.**
 - Place / Address: No applications will be taken in person.
 - To become a sponsor: To “adopt” a family for Christmas, go to website, click on “Resources” then “Operation Care,” then “Operation Christmas – Sponsor a Family”
 - For more information: After you have read all information on the website and if you still have questions, please call 317-534-4365 or email AKieffer@greenwoodchristian.com
- Email: AKieffer@greenwoodchristian.com
Website: greenwoodchristian.com
Facebook: [GreenwoodChristian](https://www.facebook.com/GreenwoodChristian)

EVENT: Grace United Methodist Church Potato Drop

- Event Description: Drive through to receive a 10-pound bag of potatoes
- Who can participate? Anyone – no residency requirement
- To receive assistance: Come – no reservations required
- Date & Time: **Saturday, December 14, 2023 @ 8 am – 12 noon**
(or until potatoes are gone)
- Place / Address: Grace UMC, 1300 East Adams Drive, Franklin
- To donate or volunteer: Call 317-736-7962
- For more information: Call 317-736-7962
- Email: grace@franklingrace.org
- Website: www.franklingrace.org
- Facebook: FranklinGrace

EVENT: Grace United Methodist Church Christmas Dinner

- Event Description: Free dinner on Christmas Day
- Who can participate? No residency requirement *except for delivery*
- To request delivery: **Call 317-736-7962 (by December 20th)**
 - *Must live within Johnson County for delivery*
- To carry out or dine in: Come, no reservations required
- Date & Times: Christmas Day, December 25, 2023
 - Delivery 11am – 2 pm
 - Carry out 2:30 pm – 4 pm
 - Dine in 5 pm – 6:30 pm
- Place / Address: Grace UMC, 1300 East Adams Drive, Franklin
- To donate or volunteer: Call 317-736-7962
- For more information: Call 317-736-7962
- Email: grace@franklingrace.org
- Website: www.franklingrace.org
- Facebook: FranklinGrace

EVENT: The Salvation Army Johnson County Christmas Food Basket

- Event Description: Annual Holiday Food Box Distribution
- Who can participate? Johnson County residents
- To receive assistance: **Apply on website by December 16th,**
click on “Cure Hunger,” then the
RED letters, “CLICK FOR APPLICATION”
- Date & Time: Distribution will be December 17, 2023
From 12 noon – 4:00 pm
The Salvation Army Johnson County office
At 325 Market Plaza, Greenwood
 - MUST have applied online!
- To donate or volunteer: Call 317-881-2505
- For more information: Call 317-881-2505 or email
- Email: IndyJoCo@usc.salvationarmy.org
- Website: www.sajohnsoncounty.org
- Facebook: The Salvation Army Johnson County

EVENT: Johnson County Senior Services “Still Believe”

- Event Description: Christmas Trees display tags to buy gifts for Seniors
- Who can participate? Any Senior in Johnson County can receive gifts
- To sign up to receive a gift: Call 317-738-4544 by November 8
- Date & Time: Choose a tag the week before Thanksgiving (until tags run out); purchase gifts and deliver to Johnson County Senior Center by December 13
- Place / Address: Christmas Trees displaying tags will be at Kroger And other grocery stores in Johnson County and at Whiteland Town Hall
- To donate or volunteer: Call 317-738-4544
- For more information: Call 317-738-4544
Email: kimberlysmith@jcseniorservices.org
Website: www.jcseniorservices.org
Facebook: Johnson County Senior Services

EVENT: Franklin Police Department Christmas Toy Drive

- Event Description: Collecting toys for children in need
- Who can participate? We will do our best to fulfill everyone’s needs!
If you are not in Franklin there is no guarantee.
- To apply to receive gifts: Submit a toy drive recipient form before December 2, 2023. Forms are available in the Police Department lobby or request a form by email.
- Date & Time: Deadline to apply: December 2, 2023
- Place / Address: Franklin Police Department, 2801 N Morton Street, Franklin, IN 46131
- To make donations: Donations can be made until December 2, 2023.
Toys may be brought to the Police Department lobby Monday through Friday 8am-4pm.
No cash or gift cards, please.
- To volunteer or for more information: Gift wrapping party will be December 11 at 5:00 pm.
Call Haley Moore 317-346-1115 or email: hmoore@franklin.in.gov.
Facebook: City of Franklin Police Department