

Alachua County Florida

A Proclamation

Declaring November 2019 as “Hunger Awareness Month” in Alachua County, Florida

Whereas, the month of November is recognized as National Hunger Awareness Month and is set aside to bring awareness of those citizens experiencing hunger daily; and

Whereas, nearly 57,000 of our citizens in Alachua County live in poverty and 12,000 of those are children who depend on nutrition assistance to put food on their tables; and

Whereas, in March, 2019, leaders from our business, faith, civic, government and educational community came together to begin planning for the Alachua County 2019 Strike Out Hunger Week Events including a Food Drive and Thanksgiving Basket Giveaway; and

Whereas, the goals of the Alachua County 2019 Strike Out Hunger Food Drive are: to build a safety net for those in need of food, increase the availability of food to those who are nutritionally challenged, bring awareness of the ever-growing issue of hunger, develop a work plan to unite community food collections, and to support our local food banks and pantries; and

Whereas, September 22nd through November 10th has been set aside for our partnering agencies and citizens to participate in this worthwhile cause. Each partner has agreed to sponsor a food drive in their local organization and to bring all donations of non-perishable goods to the Alachua County Fairgrounds on Monday, November 11th and Tuesday, November 12th; and

Whereas, The Alachua County 2019 Strike Out Hunger Food Drive will benefit our local food banks and pantries by providing much needed food during the holiday season; and provide Thanksgiving Baskets for low income, low wage families during the Holiday Season. All citizens are encouraged to participate by bringing non-perishable goods to the Fairgrounds on Monday, November 11th and Tuesday, November 12th from 8 AM to 7 PM.

Now, therefore, through the authority vested in me by the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County, Florida, I do hereby proclaim November 2019 as “Hunger Awareness Month” in Alachua County, Florida.

Duly proclaimed this 8th day of October, A.D. 2019

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____
Charles S. Chestnut, IV, Chair

ATTEST:

J.K. “Jess” Irby, Clerk