



What is Gleaning ?

Gleaning dates back to the Biblical times when the poverty stricken were allowed to go into the fields after the harvest and gather for themselves what was left behind. In the 21st century, the practice hasn't changed - just the people who do it. Gleaning volunteers are students, senior citizens, business people, stay-at-home parents and many others who visit area farm fields and orchards to collect excess produce so it can be distributed through the Toledo Seagate food bank to area agencies, food pantries, and soup kitchens who will feed the hungry throughout west Ohio.



The Gleaning Alert Mission is only as strong as the support of its volunteers. The more people willing to help, the more produce we can collect and rescue.



We need your help!

No prior experience in gardening or farming is necessary! Most volunteers are needed during peak farming seasons (April through November).

If you have a desire to work outside and get dirty, or you are interested in helping feed the hungry--this is the mission for you.



Maumee Watershed District Gleaning Ministry

Feeding the Hungry in Northwest Ohio



The mission is to give the Hungry access to FRESH local produce



Where do we Glean?

Many growers throughout the counties that make up west Ohio call the gleaning manager and establish days when volunteers can pick produce from the fields. Farmers call for volunteers when they are done with mechanically-harvested fields and there is quality produce remaining. Some farmers have produce left from their time at market. Growers need someone to pick up boxed fruits and vegetables.



Gleaning Alert Partners
Toledo Seagate Food Bank
www.toledoseagatefoodbank.org
Society of St. Andrew
www.endhunger.org

Maumee Watershed District
United Methodist Churches
www.maumeewatershed.org
Knights of Columbus at
St. Richard Catholic Community
www.saintrichard.org

Mrs.Dennis' Potato Farm
Sadowski's Produce
Don Keil Farms
Hoen's Orchard
Greenline/Optio
Bench Farms St.Rt. 2
Baughman Farms, Inc.



Volunteers who wish to work the fields are notified by e-mail which includes maps, times, addresses and other information. Volunteers are under no obligation to come, but many find it a great way to make friends and help the hungry.

Contact Us

Volunteers (or for more information)
Bruce Robinson (419) 276-3312

Farmers
Vicky Ryan (419) 865-0187

Schedule a Gleaning Event
Debbie Mills (419) 276-9218

Donations
Make Checks Payable to:

MWD Gleaning Ministry
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Maumee, OH 43537

