

CENTER GROVE ALTERNATIVE ACADEMY  
**carepantry**

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## **HALLOWEEN STORM, INCREASED NEED LEAVE FOOD PANTRY SHELVES BARE** Center Grove Alternative Academy CARE Pantry Issues Plea for Donations

Center Grove, IN (November 5, 2013) – The Halloween storm did more than delay trick-or-treating for many children. It impacted the annual CGHS Student Government (STUGO) Trick-or-Treat for Cans event. The Center Grove Alternative Academy CARE Pantry anticipated 3,000-4,000 cans, but received only 1,400. Today, the shelves are nearly bare as demand outpaces donations.

For the first time in four years, the pantry had to close early last Friday because the food ran out before all of the families waiting in line could be served.

The pantry is seeing the need steadily increase since opening on October 30, 2009. The number of families requesting assistance this year increased by 213 (741 people) from the previous year. Last year, 1,341 families (4,548 people) were served.



Care Pantry shelves are nearly bare. (Nov. 4, 2013)

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The CARE Pantry serves all Johnson Country residents, not just families in the Center Grove area. It is run by students of Center Grove Alternative Academy and is open every Friday afternoon when school is in session from 12:30pm to 2:30pm. Recipients may come to the pantry once a month to receive food and must show proof of Johnson country residence.

Anyone wishing to donate can drop off canned goods or staple pantry items at Center Grove Alternative Academy. Please call Terry Lain at 317.885.5242 to arrange a drop-off time. Monetary donations would also be appreciated. Please send checks to the CARE Pantry in care of Center Grove Alternative Academy, 2911 S. Morgantown Road, Greenwood, IN 46143-8537. Checks should be made out to Center Grove Education Foundation with a reference to CARE Pantry in the memo line.

You can also contact Terry Lain for more information at 317.885.5242 or via email at [LainT@centergrove.k12.in.us](mailto:LainT@centergrove.k12.in.us).

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