



## ONGOING EMERGENCY FOOD DRIVE

### *C.O.T.S. in urgent need of food for homeless & seniors*

In these hard times, C.O.T.S. is receiving 20-25 new applications every week for their Food Box Program, which provides about 40 pounds a week of nutritious food for free to needy families and seniors so they don't have to choose between paying their rent and eating.

C.O.T.S. has seen a 36% increase in the size of this program compared to the beginning of last year. In this time of increasing need, grocers who have been giving their off-shelf and outdated items to our programs are ordering less food so they may waste less at the end of the day. Consequently, their food supplies are running dangerously low and the cupboards for the Food Box Program are bare.

C.O.T.S. is in need of immediate help from the community so that they can continue to serve the needs of our hungry neighbors. Please consider helping serve those in need by donating an item or two to our emergency food drive.

**The ideal donation would be substantial items that go a long way toward supplying a meal, such as pasta and sauce, rice and beans, or boxes of cereal in family sizes.**

Items can be dropped off at the SVHS Front Office and the Community Concerns Club will make regular deliveries to the C.O.T.S. Kitchen. You may also choose to deliver your food directly to the Petaluma Kitchen at 301 Payran Street between 7am and 3 pm. Questions may be directed to Elizabeth, Judy or Don at (707) 778-6380. **Thank you!**

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