



GOD'S STOREHOUSE

recipient of Danville Regional Foundation's
2026 B. R. Ashby, M.D. Award



In Recognition of Outstanding Community Service

What is God's Storehouse?

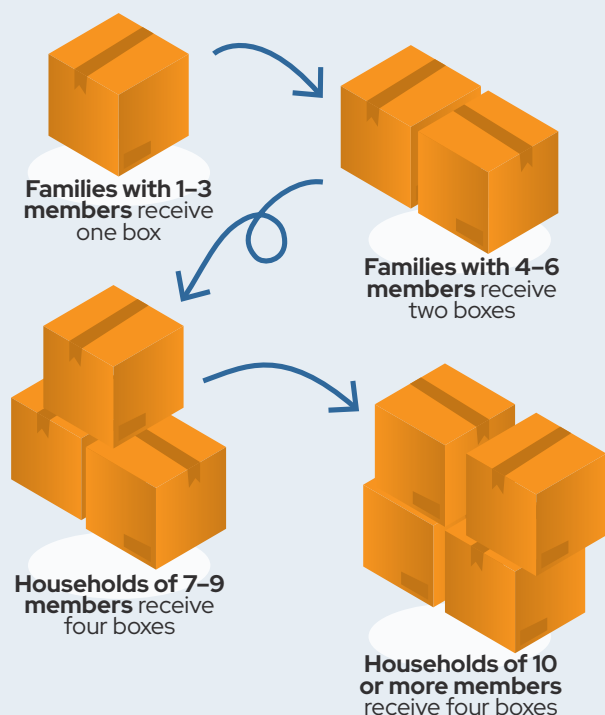
God's Storehouse provides food to people in need throughout Danville and Pittsylvania County, working with churches, schools, businesses, and volunteers to fight hunger in our community.

They give families nutritious food and connect them with other local services that can help. Their goal is to treat everyone with dignity and support them on their path forward.



How It Works

A unit of service at God's Storehouse is defined as a single food box distributed to a household.



Each box provides enough food for approximately three to four days and weighs around 70 pounds. Boxes include a balanced variety of nonperishable foods, fresh produce, frozen meats, bread, and desserts – ensuring every family receives healthy and reliable nourishment. Each box contains food for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Who Is Served



MONTHLY SERVICE – People who receive SNAP, Medicaid, or SSI can pick up a box of food once a month. These boxes include USDA food plus extra items bought or received through donations.



EVERY-TWO-WEEKS SERVICE – They also help people who don't qualify for government programs, including:

- Seniors living on Social Security
- People with disabilities
- Working families
- Anyone who no longer qualifies for federal assistance

These customers need to show proof of household income. A government ID is helpful but not required. They can pick up a donated food box every two weeks.

The focus for service is on Danville and Pittsylvania County residents. If someone comes from a neighboring county or North Carolina, they will be helped once and then connected with a food pantry closer to home.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION
Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10:30 am to 2:30 pm
and Thursdays from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm.



God's Storehouse Core Programs



FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Each box provides about four days of food for a household. The box size depends on how many people live at that address. Customers can choose meat and produce (when available) in addition to the items already packed in the box.



ONE STOP SHOP

The One Stop Shop is a way to provide non-food items to customers. Each customer is allowed one household or toiletry item from the shop per visit. Inventory is based solely on donations. Typical items found in the shop are things such as soap, cleaning products, toilet paper, diapers, feminine products, etc.



MALCOLM HUCKABEE BACKPACKS PROGRAM

God's Storehouse provides weekend meals to elementary school children in Danville who need extra support. Many students rely on school meals during the week, but their families struggle to provide enough food on weekends.

Teachers and counselors help identify children who could benefit from the program. Volunteers pack food during the week and give it to students on Fridays before they go home.

The goal is simple: make sure kids come to school Monday morning fed and ready to learn.

The program runs throughout the school year thanks to local volunteers from churches, civic groups, and school staff who pack and deliver bags each week. The program is funded through grants, donations, and food drives.



EDUCATION

The Virginia Cooperative Extension offers cooking classes, nutrition education, food budgeting, and healthy eating habits.

How Will God's Storehouse Use the \$60,000 Ashby Award?

For over 37 years, God's Storehouse has been a trusted source of food and hope for families in Danville and Pittsylvania County. As one of the largest food programs in the area, they help children, seniors, and working families get the food they need.

Right now, they're facing a challenge. Recent changes to federal food programs mean less food is coming from government sources. At the same time, more families need help. People who used to receive SNAP benefits or other assistance are now coming to God's Storehouse more often.

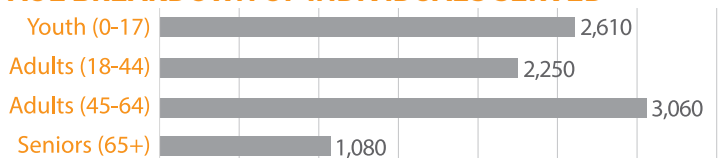
THE \$60,000 GRANT WILL HELP WITH:

- 1. BUYING MORE FOOD** – With less food coming from the government, God's Storehouse needs to buy more on their own. The grant will help purchase essentials like canned vegetables, protein, grains, and fresh produce so families continue getting nutritious, well-rounded food boxes.
- 2. SERVING MORE PEOPLE, MORE CONVENIENTLY** – Based on community feedback, they'll extend their hours and add service options to better help working families and people who have trouble getting to God's Storehouse.
- 3. REACHING HOMEBOUND NEIGHBORS** – The grant will support programs that deliver food directly to elderly residents, homebound individuals, and people in rural areas through partnerships with Holiday Village and the Dan River Region site.

God's Storehouse by the Numbers

| Category | 2024 Totals | Change from 2023 |
|----------------------------------|-------------|------------------|
| Total Households Served | 4,392 | 3.0% ▲ |
| Total Individuals Served | 8,540 | 2.8% ▲ |
| Average People Served per Day | 177 | 4.7% ▲ |
| Total Food Boxes Distributed | 32,372 | 8.0% ▲ |
| Total Pounds of Food Received | 1,118,723 | 9.0% ▼ |
| Total Pounds of Food Distributed | 2,092,662 | 2.0% ▲ |

AGE BREAKDOWN OF INDIVIDUALS SERVED



8

4 full- and
4 part-time



515

Regular
Volunteers



27,000

Volunteer
Hours

ABOUT THE B. R. ASHBY, M.D. AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE

The DRF Board of Directors established the B. R. Ashby, M. D. Award for Outstanding Community Service in recognition and appreciation of the exemplary service and selfless leadership of B.R. Ashby, M.D., a founding Board Member and first Chairman of DRF. The \$60,000 general operating grant award - which began in 2009 - honors outstanding community service in the Dan River Region by nonprofit organizations, based on their success in helping needy families and individuals overcome significant challenges.

Each year, the general public is invited to nominate regional nonprofits that demonstrate commitment to caring and generosity of spirit. The nominator cannot be a paid staff member at the organization under review. Board members, volunteers, and community members are eligible to make nominations.

Nominated organizations that meet the award criteria will be invited to submit a full application. Eligibility requirements include:

- The nominated organization must be at least five years old.
- The nominated organization must be recognized by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as a 501 (c)(3) organization. This can include churches and religious organizations as defined by IRS Publication 1828.
- The organization must be located in the DRF service area (Danville and Pittsylvania County, VA and Caswell County, NC) and a majority of its clients and/or programs must be located in the service area.
- Grantees currently funded or having a commitment to receive funding by DRF at \$200,000+ annually are not eligible.
- Previous Ashby Award recipients are not eligible to receive the award again until after five years.

The award selection process is overseen by an Advisory Committee of four community members and a DRF Board representative.

PAST B. R. ASHBY, M.D. AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE WINNERS

- House of Hope – 2025
- Project Literacy – 2024
- County Outreach Ministry, Inc. – 2023
- Caswell Parish, Inc. – 2022
- Grace & Main Fellowship/Third Chance Ministries – 2021
- Just Kids Child Development Center, Inc. – 2020
- Danville Speech & Hearing Center – 2019
- Pittsylvania County Community Action – 2018
- Caswell Family Medical Center – 2017
- Danville Cancer Association – 2016
- God's Storehouse – 2015
- Northern Pittsylvania County Food Center – 2014
- Danville Life Saving Crew – 2013
- God's Pit Crew – 2012
- Danville Church-Based Tutorial Program – 2011
- Caswell Parish, Inc. – 2010



ABOUT DRF

The Danville Regional Foundation (DRF) focuses on transforming the regional economy and creating a prosperous culture to benefit all Dan River Region citizens. It does so by making long-term investments to improve education, economic vitality, community wellness, financial stability and civic capacity for citizens throughout the City of Danville, Virginia; Pittsylvania County, Virginia; and Caswell County, North Carolina.

The Danville Regional Foundation (DRF) envisions thriving Dan River Region communities where all residents are encouraged and equipped to build healthy and productive lives for themselves and their families.

DRF's mission is to be a catalyst for long-term transformation through the development, promotion and support of impactful activities and programs that address the health, education, and well-being of all the Dan River Region's residents. The Foundation is one part of a large collaborative network of partners from all sectors working together as agents for innovation promising a sustained positive impact on the entire region.

Since its establishment in 2005, DRF has committed more than \$200 million through more than 685 grants.



For more information on DRF, our programs, our partners and other grant making opportunities, please visit our website at www.drfonline.org.