



# Jesus Has Left the Building and We're Following Him.®

HELPFUL INFORMATION ABOUT OUR NEXT OUTREACH PROJECT

## Green Harvest Food Pantry

10135 Mandel Street, Plainfield, IL 60585

After over 20 years of providing outreach in the community, Jeff and Amy Green started Green Harvest Food Pantry in October, 2001.

**Life's changes can oftentimes catch us off guard.** That is where Green Harvest can help by providing food and personal hygiene items through a philosophy called *Client's Choice*. Rather than handing the client a sack of pre-sorted food, Green Harvest gives them the opportunity to "shop" their aisles and make choices just as if they were in a grocery store.

We believe that by imparting just this little bit of respect back into the food assistance process, we assist our clients to become independent faster.

"We at Green Harvest feel that these are uncertain times. We believe that no matter what troubles, trials or misfortunes someone may be going through, they are worthy of being treated with respect and dignity. Unfortunately, for many people, receiving food assistance from a food agency or soup kitchen robs them of the dignity that makes us feel strong, enabled and ready to make a difference. Many times parents must make a decision between feeding, providing shelter or buying medicine for their children. Equally distressing is when seniors must make a choice between food or medicine, or the recently unemployed worker must wait up to six weeks to start receiving an unemployment check."

Green Harvest is a non-profit, 501(c)3, food agency that serves the working poor in the cities of Aurora, Montgomery, Naperville, Oswego, Plainfield and Yorkville.

[greenharvest.org](http://greenharvest.org)

## The Project

Sunday, January 29, 2012— 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Green Harvest is embarking on their most difficult time of year—winter. We will be helping out with a variety of clean-up, organization, and sorting projects. Projects for those of all ages and physical abilities will be available. If you are able, we also ask that you bring a bag of food for Green Harvest. Most needed items at this time include: cereal, fruit snacks, canned chicken, salad dressing, size 5 or 6 diapers, shampoo, conditioner and body soap.

***Because we are forming project teams, it is important that all participants sign up by January 22.***

**WE WILL HAVE TASKS FOR ALL ABILITY LEVELS AND AGES (above toddler age).**

### What to bring:

- a beverage for yourself, if you'd like
- wear layers and gloves (it can get cold in the warehouse)
- a bag of food items, if you are able

### How to sign up:

- email Valerie at [tuckervm@comcast.net](mailto:tuckervm@comcast.net)
- OR sign up on the sign-up sheet at HOPE
- OR respond YES to the Facebook event

**After completing our project, please join us for lunch and fellowship at Portillo's at 2810 Route 34, Oswego**

If you have any questions/concerns, please e-mail Valerie Moreno-Tucker at [tuckervm@comcast.net](mailto:tuckervm@comcast.net).

[sharehope.org](http://sharehope.org)

**We HOPE to see you there!**

