



## Maui Food Bank Sets Up New Community Web Site

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WAILUKU - The Maui Food Bank has created a community Web site that allows its members to learn about and connect with other food vendors across Maui who are helping the hungry.

Food Bank agencies along with vendors are encouraged to sign up at the site: [www.mauifoodvendorteams.com](http://www.mauifoodvendorteams.com).

People can connect with one another, share ideas and also learn how to expand their donations to the Food Bank, the release said.

"Our new online community not only enables food vendor personnel to have fun connecting with and learning from each other. It also enables the Food Bank to recognize and reward these dedicated and compassionate people in the future," said Maui Food Bank Director Rich Yust.

Yust is encouraging vendors to expand their donations to include dry packaged and canned goods, bakery items, dairy, meat and other chilled items, bulk fresh fruits and vegetables, and any prepared foods that can be chilled or frozen for safe consumption.

Pet food donations are also welcomed for families who cannot afford adequate food for their pets.

The food bank is also interested in working with local restaurants and other prepared food outlets to implement a "food rescue" program instead of throwing the food away.

For more information, call 243-9500.