# Report for Peoria Food Bank Healthy Foods Survey - Pantry Guests 

| Response Counts |  |  |
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| Completion Rate: | $100 \%$ |  |
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1. What is your preferred language?


| Value | Percent | Responses |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| English |  | $98.0 \%$ | 397 |
| Spanish |  | $2.0 \%$ | 8 |

Totals: 405

Another language - Write In
Count
Totals
0
2. Including yourself, how many people currently live in your household?


| Value | Percent | Responses |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 24.9\% | 100 |
| 2 | 18.2\% | 73 |
| 3 | 18.0\% | 72 |
| 4 | 16.2\% | 65 |
| 5 | 10.2\% | 41 |
| 6 | 6.2\% | 25 |
| 7 | 4.0\% | 16 |
| 8 | 1.7\% | 7 |
| 9 | 0.2\% | 1 |
| More than 10 | 0.2\% | 1 |

3. What race/ethnicity do you identify with? Please select all that apply.


| Value | Percent | Responses |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| White | $73.9 \%$ | 298 |
| Black or African American | $19.6 \%$ | 79 |
| Hispanic or Latino/a | $5.2 \%$ | 21 |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | $1.7 \%$ | 7 |
| Asian | $0.5 \%$ | 2 |
| Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander | $0.2 \%$ | 1 |
| Other Race/Ethnicity - Write In | $4.2 \%$ | 17 |


| Caucasian \& Jewish | 1 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Cherokee and Chipawa | 1 |
| Half Black or African American/Half white | 1 |
| Puerto Rican | 1 |
| bi-racial | 1 |
| biracial | 1 |
| human being | 1 |
| mixed race | 1 |
| Totals | 8 |

4. What is your zip code?

5. How difficult is it to provide your family with healthy foods? [Note to administrator: if asked, healthy options may include minimally processed fruits, vegetables, whole grains, low-fat dairy and lean proteins]


| Value | Percent | Responses |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Difficult | $41.4 \%$ | 161 |
| Neutral/Unsure | $43.2 \%$ | 168 |
| Easy |  | $15.4 \%$ |

6. To help you and/or your family have healthy foods available to you, what would you like this pantry to have more of? Please select all that apply.


| Value | Percent | Responses |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frozen fruits | 51.1\% | 206 |
| Canned fruits | 41.7\% | 168 |
| Fresh fruits | 65.3\% | 263 |
| Frozen vegetables | 50.1\% | 202 |
| Canned vegetables | 33.3\% | 134 |
| Fresh vegetables | 57.3\% | 231 |
| Whole grains (brown rice, whole wheat bread and pasta, whole corn tortillas, etc.) | 28.0\% | 113 |
| Low-fat dairy (milk, yogurt, cheese, etc.) | 46.2\% | 186 |
| Dairy alternatives (soy milk, almond milk, rice milk, etc.) | 26.1\% | 105 |
| Lean protein/meats (turkey, lean beef, eggs, etc.) | 65.3\% | 263 |
| Plant-based protein (beans, nuts, seeds, tof u, tempeh, etc.) | 18.4\% | 74 |
| Ready-to-eat meals (boxed lunches, sandwich meals, etc.) | 40.4\% | 163 |
| Low-sodium (salt) options (low-sodium canned foods, bacon, etc.) | 26.8\% | 108 |
| Spices | 31.3\% | 126 |
| Other - Write In | 6.5\% | 26 |
| Other - Write In | 3.0\% | 12 |
| Other - Write In | 0.5\% | 2 |

## Food Pantry Guests Survey | Question \#6 Free Response Analysis

To help you and/or your family have healthy foods available to you, what would you like this pantry to have more of? Please select all that apply. Response selected "other" $(n=40)$


Meat ( $n=8$ )

- Red meat
- Meat- not chicken

Sweets ( $n=5$ )

- Juice
- "Sweets for blood sugar"
- Peaches, prunes, fruit cocktail, applesauce

Milk \& Eggs $(n=4)$

- Almond milk
- $2 \%$ milk (2)
- Fresh eggs

Produce ( $n=4$ )

- Plums
- Potatoes
- Greens
- Squash

Comfort Food ( $n=5$ )

- Mac n' cheese
- White rice
- Popcorn
- Bacon (2)

Hygiene Products ( $n=4$ )

- Soap
- Deodorant

Bread ( $n=3$ )

- White bread (2)

Other ( $n=3$ )

- Gluten Free
- Organic (2)

7. Is it ever hard to find foods at this pantry that meet you and/or your family's cultural or religious preferences and/or dietary restrictions?


Value
Percent
Responses

| Yes |  | $28.4 \%$ | 101 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| No |  | $71.6 \%$ | 255 |

Totals: 356
8. To better support you and/or your family's cultural or religious preferences and/or dietary restrictions, what foods would you like this pantry to have more of? Please select all that apply and use the boxto explain and/or add examples of what you would like this pantry to have.

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Value
Percent
Responses

| Soul or Southern food options | $64.6 \%$ | 62 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Foods from Lat in America | $29.2 \%$ | 28 |
| Foods from Asia | $12.5 \%$ | 12 |
| Halal options | $6.3 \%$ | 6 |
| Kosher options | $12.5 \%$ | 12 |
| Veget $19.8 \%$ | 19 |  |
| Vegan options |  | $8.3 \%$ |

## Food Pantry Guests Survey | Question \#8 Free Response Analysis

Please select all that apply and use the box to explain and/or add examples of what you would like this pantry to have. Response selected "other" $(n=33)$


Sometimes ( $\mathrm{n}=2$ )
Meat ( $n=14$ )

- Canned meat
- Hamburger (5)
- Pork

Vegetables ( $n=4$ )

- Greens
- Salad that is not close to expiration
- Potatoes, asparagus, tomatoes

Toiletries ( $n=2$ )

- "Toiletries, house goods like cleaning supplies"

Other ( $n=5$ )

- Tofu
- Child snacks
- "Cheese, butter, pasta, bell peppers"

Disease Friendly ( $n=4$ )

- Diabetic friendly foods
- Low fat/low sodium

Foods from Latin America ( $n=2$ )

- "Mexican or something with bone bite"
- "Flour or corn tortillas"

9. What would you like to take part in and/or receive to help you and/or your family make healthier choices? Please select all that apply.


| Healthy eating or cooking classes | 20.8\% | 56 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Healthy eating information to use at home (flyers, websites, videos, etc.) | 33.8\% | 91 |
| Healthy food recipes | 75.1\% | 202 |
| Healthy messaging (signs, labels, etc.) | 10.0\% | 27 |
| Other - Write In | 8.6\% | 23 |

What would you like to take part in and/or receive to help you and/or your family make healthier choices? Please select all that apply. Response selected "other" $(n=22)$


Soul or Southern Food Options ( $n=10$ )
Recipes ( $n=2$ )
None ( $n=2$ )
Disease Specific ( $n=5$ )

- "Diabetic information"
- "diabetic and heart healthy recipes"
- "Heart failure"
- "Prepared diabetic meals"

Other $(n=2)$

- "Beef or Pork meat. Milk"
- "better tasting snack bars"

10. What else can we do to help support your and/or your family's healthy eating?


# Food Pantry Guests Survey | Question \#10 Free Response Analysis <br> What else can we do to help support your and/or your family's healthy eating? ( $n=157$ ) 



Fewer unhealthy options
More of a specific type of food
More healthy options
Nothing, thanks to the pantry, or pray
Complementary services (e.g. recipes)
Other (e.g. non-food items and barriers)

Nothing, thanks to the pantry, or pray ( $n=87$ )

- Not that can think of this pantry is fantastic
- Keep your support
- Pray for us!
- You are wonderful people. Thank you. God bless.

More of a specific type of food ( $n=38$ )

- more fresh produce please
- fresh fruit, veggies (cauliflower and broccoli)
- Would like Spanish food--our culture
- Would like more fish, chicken, beef, pork chops. Thank you!
- I would like our pantry to serve more oatmeal. You are doing a great job!
- Heart healthy and blood thinner diet.

Complementary services (e.g. recipes) ( $n=15$ )

- cooking classes!!
- Any literature maybe or just to educate about healthy food.
- How long to store cooked meats and vegetables
- Recipes for those with diabetes and heart failure

Other (e.g. non-food items and barriers) ( $n=14$ )

- Baby food, diapers and wipes
- Keep non restrictions during pandemic. I am not working and appreciate everything.
- Love fresh fruit and veggies. I miss being able to choose what we like.
- Difficult to get around. Location can be bare of fresh food. Had to leave food at bus stop or city link because heavy to carry.

More healthy options ( $n=12$ )

- Provide healthy food
- Just try new things as much as you can.
- More healthy foods for kids for snacks.
- Need more healthy food because overweight and diabetic.

Fewer unhealthy options ( $n=3$ )

- Less junk food
- Get rid of unhealthy food!
- don't have as much junk food

