



## FOUA Plot Against Hunger Produce Donation Centers Open May 11 for 2026 Season

### Description

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***Community invited to share garden harvests and support local food access***

*EDIT: Dates and times of Produce Bagging location at Woman's Club of Arlington have been updated*

(Arlington, VA) FOUA Plot Against Hunger officially opens its two 2026 Produce Donation Centers on **May 11, 2026**, inviting gardeners across Arlington to share their extra harvest and support neighbors experiencing food insecurity.

From a handful of tomatoes to a full basket of vegetables, all donations are welcome. The program makes it easy for home gardeners, community garden participants, and urban growers to ensure fresh, locally grown produce reaches those who need it most. In 2025, Arlingtonians grew and donated **12,186 pounds** of produce. Our goal for **2026** is **13,000 pounds**! “Even a small donation can make a meaningful difference,” said Lynda Ramirez-Blust, President, “Plot Against Hunger connects the abundance in our gardens with the needs in our community—turning surplus into sustenance.”

### **2026 Donation Locations & Schedule**

**Site1: Rock Spring Church – Carpenter Hall, 5010 Little Falls Road, Arlington**



Mondays (*Tuesday, if holiday*) in May, June, and July: 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm

Mondays and Thursdays in August and September: 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm

Mondays in October: 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm

**Site 2: Woman’s Club of Arlington**, 700 S Buchanan Street, Arlington

Mondays from May through October: 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Gardeners who are unable to make these times can still participate. Plot Against Hunger encourages gardeners to locate a nearby food pantry and donate directly. Gardeners who donated directly are asked to record the number of pounds donated to help track the community’s collective impact throughout the season.

Plot Against Hunger is part of a broader effort to strengthen Arlington’s local food system by increasing access to fresh, nutrient-dense food while reducing food waste. It is the only program in Arlington County whose sole mission is to provide fresh produce to neighbors in need. Through partnerships with growers, volunteers, and food distribution organizations, the program channels hyper-local produce directly into the community.

For more information, including how to *find a pantry near you* and record your donation, visit:  
<https://arlingtonurbanag.org/donating-your-garden-produce/>

Learn more about FOUA and Plot Against Hunger at <https://arlingtonurbanag.org/plot-against-hunger/>

Arlington Friends of Urban Agriculture’s (FOUA) mission is to build a resilient, community-driven urban agriculture sector that provides a fair, healthy, sustainable food system for all Arlingtonians. FOUA is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit and is run by a volunteer board of directors. [www.arlingtonurbanag.org](http://www.arlingtonurbanag.org).

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