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Palm Beach County Library System Helps Feed the Community

The Library System is partnering with the Palm Beach County Food Bank will be at several Library branches to register residents for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits. Benefits specialists from the PBC Food Bank will assist with the application process and conduct the food stamp interview. Specialists can also help with other benefits applications available through the ACCESS Florida system including Medicaid and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). Applicants must call a benefit specialist to schedule an appointment.

- Mondays & Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 Hagen Ranch Road Branch, 14350 Hagen Ranch Road, Delray Beach, FL 33446. Benefit Specialist: James Vil, 561-517-7533
- Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 Main Library, 3650 Summit Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL 33406. Benefit Specialist: Mario Mendez, PBC Food Bank 561-670-2518, ext. 310
- Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 Glades Road Branch, 20701 95th Ave. South, Boca Raton, FL 33434. Benefit Specialist: Mario Mendez, 561-345-5085
- Thursdays & Fridays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 Lantana Road Branch, 4020 Lantana Road, Lake Worth, FL 33462. Benefit Specialist: Mario Mendez, 561-345-5085

Seventeen Library locations are distribution sites for the Palm Beach County Youth Services Department's Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) which distributes meals and snacks to eligible children age 18 and under. Meals and snacks, funded by USDA and the Department of Education, are also available to persons with disabilities, over age 18, who participate in school programs for people who are mentally or physically disabled. For more information, please visit pbclibrary.org/summer-food-service-program.

"Libraries are known for feeding the mind," said Library Director Doug Crane, "But during the pandemic we are also getting food to the community during their time of need."

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