

“Elijah’s Jar” is an emergency food closet for people living on the Foresthill Divide. It is a much needed outreach ministry of the Foresthill Christian community. We receive regular donations from the following churches: Calvary Bible Church, Calvary Foresthill, Canyon View, Celebration Community Fellowship, the Foresthill Adventist, New Hope, and Rivers of Life. However, these regularly committed donations cover less than one quarter of our current monthly expenses. We receive no government funding and are fully dependant upon the generosity of churches, service organizations, and many concerned people of the Foresthill area.

We believe that Jesus Christ has called us to help provide for the needs of the disadvantaged. Since it’s opening in March of 2003, our food closet has served over 500 families. We are currently serving over 400 people per month, which equates to more than 6% of the population of the Foresthill Divide. With the ever-rising cost of living, more people are seeking our help each month. We have recently seen a significant increase in families with children and seniors. Since the beginning of 2008, we have seen a 135% increase in the number of people served, with a 60% increase in the last six months alone.

We need your help more than ever.

In March of 2006, with the closure of Bargains and Blessings, we began to offer emergency clothing as well as food.

In January 2010, because a falling tree crushed our building, we were forced to move our operation to a new facility. Although the new, expanded space, allows us to serve those in need a great deal better than before, the increased expenses are an ongoing challenge.

Elijah’s Jar is a 501(c)3 non-profit, therefore, all your donations are tax deductible. We are an all-volunteer organization.

WHAT’S IN A NAME?

Many people ask where the name “Elijah’s Jar” came from. This ministry was started by a group of Christian pastors, who quite naturally looked to the Bible for inspiration for the name of the food closet. It comes from 1 King Chapter 17.

The passage goes something like this:

In a time of drought and famine, the prophet Elijah went to the town of Zarephath. He met a widow near the gate to the city gathering firewood. He asked her for a drink of water and a

piece of bread. She exclaimed that she had only a handful of flour in a bin and a little oil in a jar. She said she was gathering sticks to prepare it for herself and her son, so that she “may eat it and die”. Elijah said “Do not fear; go and do as you have said, but make me a small cake from it first, and bring it to me; and afterwards make some for your son. For thus says the Lord God of Israel: ‘The bin of flour shall not be used up, nor shall the jar of oil run dry until the day the Lord sends rain.’ She did as requested and the flour was not used up, nor did the jar of oil run dry.

We believe that if we trust in God, Elijah’s Jar will not be empty and the hungry of Foresthill will have food.

*“...If you have food, share it with those who are hungry”
(Luke 3:11 NLT)*

Who Elijah's Jar serves:

- Families
- Seniors
- The disabled
- The working poor
- Single parents
- Homeless

What we give:

- ❖ Food for at least nine meals per person, once per month
- ❖ Including:
 - Ground meat
 - Chicken
 - Eggs
 - Fruit & vegetables
 - Cereal & grains
 - Canned meals
 - Tuna & canned meat
 - Canned beans
- ❖ Plus:
 - Peanut butter
 - Mac & cheese
 - Bread & pastries
- ❖ Often available:
 - Dairy

○ Produce

COMMONLY NEEDED NON-PERISHABLE FOODS:

- ~ Canned tuna and chicken
- ~ Canned meals i.e. chili, stews, tamales
- ~ Boxed "Complete Meals"
- ~ Healthy cereals (not sugar coated)
- ~ Peanut butter, jam, and honey
- ~ Hearty soups
- ~ Rice mixes i.e. "Rice-a-Roni"
- ~ Pasta sauce and spaghetti
- ~ Pasta mixes i.e. "Hamburger Helper"
- ~ Canned fruits and vegetables

Please refrain from donating home canned, open, or out of date food items.

CLOTHING MOST OFTEN NEEDED:

- ~ Men's jeans
- ~ Men's shirts
- ~ Summer shorts (Men's, Women's, and children's)
- ~ Winter jackets and sweats (Men's, women's, and children's)
- ~ Socks (all sizes)

We recycle all clothing donations - First to Elijah's Jar, then to other charities in need.

All donations may be delivered to Elijah's Jar during normal open hours. We also have donation boxes for non-perishable foods only at the Foresthill Library and Foresthill Joe's Coffee shop, or call to make special arrangements. 530-367-3085.

Monetary donations may be mailed to: Elijah's Jar
P.O. Box 1036,
Foresthill, CA. 95631-1036



ELIJAH'S JAR
COMMUNITY FOOD CLOSET
BROUGHT TO YOU
THROUGH THE
LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST

OPEN FOR FOOD PICK UPS
WEDNESDAY 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM
FRIDAY 1:30 – 3:30 PM
THIRD THURSDAY 8:00 – 10:00 AM

24617 FORESTHILL ROAD
POST OFFICE BOX 1036
FORESTHILL, CALIFORNIA 95631
(530) 367-3085

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