



West Valley Crews Collect 360 Turkeys, Other Food for Area Families



Crews from EM's West Valley Demonstration Project Site gather alongside pallets stocked with donated food for delivery to area food pantries.

WEST VALLEY, N.Y. – Workers at [EM's West Valley Demonstration Project](#) (WVDP) Site held its annual food drive last week, a [tradition](#) that has delivered more than 1.8 million pounds of food to people in need since its inception in 1989.

“I am honored to be a part of an event that makes a difference in our community,” EM WVDP Director Bryan Bower said. “The amount of food collected year after year demonstrates the generosity and kindness of our employees.”



Volunteers deliver 40 turkeys and other items to the Saving Grace Food Pantry as part of this year's West Valley Demonstration Project Annual Food Drive.

This year's drive collected more than 108,000 pounds of turkeys and other items for nine area food pantries serving hundreds of families — surpassing the goal of 100,000 pounds. The volunteers formed two teams to deliver 360 turkeys plus cases of food to the pantries for this holiday season.

“The success of our food drive is a direct result of the goodness of our employees, partners, and subcontractors,” said Lettie Chilson, WVDP facility manager and food drive coordinator. “It demonstrates the positive impact that kindness can have on a community. The WVDP Food Drive helps to improve the quality of life for our neighbors serviced by the local pantries.”

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