COUNTY AGENDA REQUEST

Department:	Commissioners	Presenter(s):	Commissioner David Barlow
Meeting Date:	Thursday, April 25, 2013	Type of Request:	New Business

Wording for the Agenda:

Consideration of Commissioner Barlow's request that the Board of Commissioners endorse Fayette's Biggest Food Drive.

Background/History/Details:

Commissioner David Barlow is requesting the Board of Commissioners to support an effort known as Fayette's Biggest Food Drive.

Currently, over 4% of Fayette County's families live at or below the poverty level. Given the national recession, those who are the most vulnerable amongst us feel the effects.

The citizens of Fayette County have a responsibility to take care of those in need. On September 14-15, the County is coming together to fill a 53' foot trailer full of food in a simple and honest answer to take care of those in need.

Commissioner Barlow is also asking that a proclamation be made by the Board declaring September 14 as National Fayette's Biggest Food Drive Day, and for each commissioner to support this effort both individually and as a collective body.

What action are you seeking from the Board of Commissioners?

Approval of Commissioner Barlow's request that the Board of Commissioners endorse Fayette's Biggest Food Drive.

If this item requires funding, please describe:

Not Applicable.

Has this request been considered within the past two years?	No	If so, when?	
Is Audio-Visual Equipment Required for this Request?*	No	Backup Provided with Request?	Yes

**** All audio-visual material must be submitted to the County Clerk's Office no later than 48 hours prior to the meeting. It is also your department's responsibility to ensure all third-party audio-visual material is submitted at least 48 hours in advance.***

Approved by Finance	Not Applicable	Reviewed by Legal	
Approved by Purchasing	Not Applicable	County Clerk's Approval	Yes
Administrator's Approval			

Staff Notes:

Fayette’s Biggest Food Drive

Dear Commissioners,

Fayette County has an estimated 4.4% of families below the poverty level, our employment rate is still over 7% and our county’s most vulnerable are feeling those effects.

As a county we have a responsibility to take care of our own, to reach out and help those hurting and in need and we have always done that through our amazing nonprofits and county initiatives.

Today I am asking for the endorsement of all of the Fayette County Commissioners to support Fayette’s Biggest Food Drive. This food drive will be a way for an entire county to unite to help those in need. No matter of your religion, where you work, what civic group you belong we can all come together on September 14th and fill a 53’ trailer full of food.

Fayette County has never seen or participated in a food drive of this magnitude, we are not doing it for show, to get on the news, for any kind of fame we are doing it because the most vulnerable among us - our poor, our children, and our seniors - should not have to suffer and hurt alone when it is in our power to do good we as citizens of Fayette County must do it.

The food drive will not highlight any one business or group it will be a county united we will be one face and one body working together. As a concerned citizen I also, ask that a proclamation be made declaring September 14th National Fayette’s Biggest Food Drive Day and that each of you as commissioners collectively and individually support this effort.

Thank you,

Ms. Arwen Mullikin
Project Manager
Fayette’s Biggest Food Drive

COME JOIN THE FUN! COME MAKE HISTORY!

FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER!

ON SEPTEMBER 14TH THE ENTIRE COUNTY WILL BE UNITED TO FILL A 53' TRAILER FULL OF FOOD!

PLAN NOW TO BE A PART OF THIS EPIC EVENT

MEET US AT THE GAZEBO IN FAYETTEVILLE FROM 9AM -2PM

ITEMS NEEDED:

Baked Beans/Pork N Beans
Beef Stew
Cereal
Dry Beans
Peanut Butter/Jelly
Rice
Canned Spaghetti Sauce
Canned Tomato Products
Toilet Paper
Laundry Detergent
Napkins
Paper Towels

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