

# November Resources

Resources in or near northern Kent County 2025

North Kent Connect ~ 10075 Northland Dr NE, Rockford, MI 49341 ~ (616) 866-3478

## NKC Holiday Sign-Ups Started Wednesday, October 1.

*Client Services at North Kent Connect will be **closed** for Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 27 and Friday, November 28.*

## Food Distributions at North Kent Connect

**SENIOR MONTHLY COMMODITIES** by Kent County (outside on south side of NKC building)

**Monday, November 3, 12:00pm - 2:00pm** (early due to the Holiday)

- Open to Kent County Residents 60+ who meet income requirements.
- Please see a NKC case manager to complete an application for this program.

**FEDERAL COMMODITIES (TEFAP)** by Kent County (outside on south side of NKC building)

**Thursday, November 6, 10:00am - 1:00pm**

- Open to Kent County Residents with a valid Michigan ID.
- For a complete list of TEFAP distribution sites in Kent County, visit Kent County Community Action at: <https://www.kentcountymi.gov/191/Distribution-Locations-Information> or call 616-632-7950.

**SENIOR PANTRY** by Meals on Wheels (NKC classroom, north entrance)

**Thursday, November 20, 10:00am - 11:30am**

- Open to Kent County Residents 60+ who meet income requirements.
- Photo ID & proof of income required for registration.
- Please call Meals on Wheels 616-459-3111 for income qualifications.

## Events at North Kent Connect

### **NKC HOLIDAY PROGRAMS**

- Thanksgiving Pantry: all clients must have registered with a case manager by Thursday, October 30.
- Christmas Pantry: all clients must register with a case manager by Thursday, December 1.
- Christmas Gift Shop: for registered clients with children on file; all clients must register with a case manager by Thursday, December 1.

**RIDELINK NORTH COUNTY PANTRY BUS** (NKC lobby, north entrance)

**Tuesday, November 4, 9:00am - 12:00pm (first Tuesday of each month)**

- Must be 60+ and registered with RideLink: 844-694-6589.
- Must be a North Kent Connect client 60+. Call NKC to reserve your ride: 616-866-3478.
- Currently serving: Rockford Towers, River Grove, Richter Place, Mildred Houting, Harvest Way, and Sparta Townhouses.

**KENT DISTRICT LIBRARY BOOKMOBILE** (NKC north parking lot)

**Wednesday, November 5, 10:00am - 11:30am**

• KDL Bookmobile will be on-site, offering KDL card sign-ups, library materials for checkout, and Wi-Fi access with printing available. The Bookmobile is also equipped with an ADA chairlift for accessibility.

**MERCANTILE BANK UNDERSTANDING CREDIT WORKSHOP** (NKC classroom, north entrance)

**Wednesday, November 5, 3:00pm - 4:00pm**

- Mercantile Bank will be leading a workshop about credit repair. The class is open to the public. Walk-ins welcome.

# Area Classes and Programs

## **HOW AI CAN HELP YOU GET A JOB** by West Michigan Works!

**Wednesday, November 12, 1:30pm - 3:00pm** at the Greenville Service Center (114 S Greenville W Dr)

In today's evolving job market, artificial intelligence (AI) is changing the way we search for work and navigate the workplace. This interactive workshop will introduce adult learners to AI's powerful role in job searching and career development. Participants will explore how AI tools—like résumé builders, job matching platforms, and interview simulators—can help highlight their skills and improve their chances of landing the right job. We'll also take a realistic look at the challenges AI brings, including issues around fairness, privacy, and the need for human connection in hiring. By the end of the session, learners will leave with practical tips, tools, and a better understanding of how to use AI confidently and responsibly in their career journey.

To register for this **FREE** workshop, call **West MI Works** at **616-754-3611** or visit <https://www.westmiworks.org/workshops/category/in-person-workshops/>

## Monthly & Weekly Pantries and Meals

### **FOOD PANTRY at St. Joseph Catholic Church** (409 S Bridge Street, Belding)

- Thursdays, 2:00pm - 4:00pm

### **GROCERY GARAGE at City Impact** (288 North Main St, Cedar Springs)

- Thursdays, 9:00am - 11:00am
- Saturdays, 7:00pm - 8:00pm (following the 6:00pm church service)

### **FOOD PANTRY at First Congregational Church** (192 E Bridge St NE, Rockford)

- 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 4:00pm - 6:00pm

### **FOOD PANTRY and MEALS at Sparta United Methodist Church** (54 E Division Street, Sparta)

- Pantry: Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays, 10:00am - 1:00pm (Located in the church office, back entrance)
- Community Breakfast: Every 4th Saturday, 8:00am - 10:00am (Located in church lower dining room)

### **BABY PANTRY at St. Gianna's Baby and Toddler Boutique** (1400 Plainfield Ave NE, Grand Rapids)

- Tuesdays, 12:00pm - 3:00pm; and Thursdays, 10:00am - 1:00pm; 1 visit monthly

### **MEALS at St. John Paul II Catholic Church** (3110 17 Mile Rd NE, Cedar Springs)

- Tuesdays, 5:30pm - 6:30pm

### **PET FOOD PANTRY by North Kent Kibble at Ballard Christian Church** (1633 10 Mile Rd NW, Sparta)

- Saturday, November 15, 10:30am - 1:30pm

## Mobile Pantries

**Saturday, 11/1 at 2:00pm - The Vine Assembly of God Church** (Drive thru: 112 Commerce, Grant)

**Tuesday, 11/4 at 4:30pm - Fremont United Methodist Church** (Drive thru: 351 Butterfield St, Fremont)

**Friday, 11/14 at 5:00pm - Sparta Early Childhood Center** (Drive thru: 480 S State St, Sparta)

**Saturday, 11/15 at 9:00am - Vineyard North Church** (Drive thru: 4700 East Beltline NE, Grand Rapids)

**Monday, 11/17 at 4:30pm - Cedar Springs Fire Department** (Drive thru: 38 N 2nd St NE, Cedar Springs)

**Tuesday, 11/18 at 5:00pm - Northland Church of Christ** (Drive thru: 9891 S Mason Dr, Grant)

**Friday, 11/21 at 4:30pm - Belding High School** (Drive thru: 850 Hall St, Belding)

**Friday, 11/21 at 5:00pm - Peace Lutheran Church** (Drive thru: 1225 Twelve Mile NW, Sparta)

**Saturday, 11/22 at 1:00pm - Zion Lutheran Church** (Drive thru: 582 Lamoreaux Dr NW, Comstock Park)

**Saturday, 11/22 at 2:00pm - Alpine Elementary School** (Drive thru: 4730 Baumhoff NW, Comstock Park)

**Monday, 11/24 at 4:00pm - First Church of God** (Walk up: 101 South Franklin St, Greenville)

**Wednesday, 11/26 at 10:00am - TrueNorth Community Services** (Drive thru: 6308 South Warner Ave, Fremont)

*If you have questions about a specific Mobile Pantry, please contact the host agency. You can find this information and other food resources online at [www.feedwm.org/mobile-pantry-schedule/](http://www.feedwm.org/mobile-pantry-schedule/). This schedule is provided as a courtesy. It is not guaranteed to be error free, and may be updated or changed at any time, so use it at your own risk. For the most up-to-date information, visit [www.feedwm.org/findfood](http://www.feedwm.org/findfood). This site is updated in real time.*

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