

MLK JR. DAY Food Drive

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Gallup's better angels provide nourishment in troubled times

The Martin Luther King Jr. Day Food Drive hosted by St Paul's Missionary Baptist Church, 1121 Lincoln Ave., in conjunction with the City of Gallup, was a substitution event for the MLK Jr. Day walk this year, because of COVID-19.

Spearheaded by Mona Frazier, who has been a clerk at the church for 32 years, the event was put together in about two weeks. Frazier was surprised and pleased by the response.

"We've done something for the last 20 plus years," she said. But this year she said the donation response was better than it has been in the past. Frazier thanked the community for the support and is considering conducting another food drive in 2022.

The Community Pantry was the recipient of this year's food drive donations.

Community Pantry Executive Director Alice Perez said after weighing and measuring, the food drive brought in 1,202 pounds of food and \$685 in donations.

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The 1,202 pounds of food provided 1,062 meals. The \$685 provided \$1,560 in food buying power. Together they provided 1,502 meals.