

Eldon, MO 65026

July 8, 2013

Dear Friends,

Governor Nixon has signed the Missouri Food Pantry Tax Credit (MO-FPT) back into law. When political posturing allowed the tax credits to lapse in 2011, food pantries all over Missouri felt the impact. Donations took a drastic hit for 2012 at the Eldon Community Food Pantry and the lack of the MO-FPT is one of the largest factors contributing to that.

The MO-FPT is a direct credit to Missouri state income tax. This program provides a tax credit to any Missouri taxpayer (individual, corporation or trust) that makes a financial donation to the Eldon Community Food Pantry. The taxpayer receives a tax credit of 50% of the gift up to \$2,500 per taxpayer per year. If you donate \$5,000.00 per taxpayer, you can claim the maximum credit of \$2,500.00.

Here is how you can take advantage of this tax credit, it's easy!

- 1. Make a donation to the Eldon Community Food Pantry and indicate that the gift is for the food pantry.
- 2. Send your donation with a <u>completed MO-FPT</u> form to the Eldon Community Food Pantry, 312 E. 2nd St., Eldon, MO 65026. 2011 forms are available at the food pantry (2013 forms are not available yet.
- 3. The Eldon Community Food Pantry will return the signed form with your receipt.
- 4. Give the form and receipt to your income tax preparer.

For further information, you may contact the Eldon Community Food Pantry at 573-392-8380, or the Missouri Department of Revenue:

Customer Services Division E-mail: taxcredit@dor.mo.gov

Telephone: 573-526-8733 (for individual and fiduciary tax)

573-751-4541 (for corporation income tax)

The Eldon Community Food Pantry continues to work to meet the needs of the Eldon and surrounding area families living in crisis. The task is not simple and the financial climate has only made it more challenging. Your generosity allows for us to do what we are able. Thank you for your support of our pantry and your neighbors in need.

God Bless,

Eldon Community Food Pantry