Subject: Gleaners Membership Inquiry Form

Nonprofit organizations wishing to receive food from Gleaners to distribute to people in need must apply to become a Gleaners partner agency.

To apply your organization must:

- Have a 501(c)3 public charity designation from the Internal Revenue Service
  - Religious organizations must include either the IRS 501(c)3 letter OR a letter from the denomination’s headquarters stating that the organization applying for membership is one in good standing in that denomination. If a letter is sent from the organization’s headquarters, the headquarters must also send a letter from the IRS verifying their own 501(c)3 status
- Have a history and records of distributing foods, goods and/or services to those in need
- Never require the recipient to pay, pray or work in order to eat or gain admission to the food distribution
- Have a regular scheduled distribution time established on a weekly or monthly basis
- Have a clean building with pest control, including safe, well-lit dry and cold food storage
- Have certified/licensed food handler(s) present on-site at all times when food is being received, prepared or served
- Have financial ability (a sustainable budget) to pay for foods listed on our shopping list
- Be willing to pay an annual membership fee of $75.00
- Be willing to order from Gleaners on at least 7 occasions over the course of a year

If you are interested in becoming a partner, please complete the attached Inquiry Form and return it to us with a copy of your tax-exempt determination letter from the IRS. Should you have any questions in regards to membership with Gleaners, please do not hesitate to call or email.

Sincerely,

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Gleaners Membership Inquiry Form (Pre-Application)

Thank you for expressing interest in partnering with Gleaners Community Food Bank! Gleaners will review all inquiry forms and make determinations based on capacity in the area and available resources.

Organization Name: ___________________________________________ Date: ___________

Name as it appears on IRS 501(c)3 letter: ___________________________________________

Physical Address: ___________________________________________ City: ___________ Zip: ___________

Contact Person and Title: ___________________________________________

Phone: _________________________________ Email: _______________________________________

Website and/or Facebook page: ___________________________________________

What city/zip code areas do you serve? ___________________________________________

Type of Agency: ___Church    ___Community Center      ___Shelter     ___Other:_______________________

Type of Program(s): ___Food Pantry       ___Soup Kitchen        ___Other:_______________________

How many freezers do you have?_________ How many refrigerators?_______________________

Distribution style: ___Hot Meals   ___Shop in pantry   ___Pre-bagged food   ___Other:_______________________

When did the feeding program begin? ___________________________________________

How many households are you serving per month? ___________ How many individuals? ___________

How much is your monthly budget for food purchases? $___________________________

How is your feeding program funded? ___________________________________________

What are your sources of food? ___________________________________________

How many people work in your pantry (volunteer and staff)? _______________________

Type of Food Safety Certificate: _____________________________ Expiration Date: ___________

Please explain your hours and food distribution operation: ___________________________________________

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If you are in Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland or Wayne counties, please e-mail or fax back this form and a copy of your 501(c)3 IRS letter to Mollie Allard at mallard@gcfb.org; Fax: 313-924-6313