

Good Citizenship

Help For Families Affected By The Oil Spill

(NAPSA)—For 16 years, one nonprofit, nondenominational organization has provided food relief and financial support to communities throughout the U.S.—and it recently lent a helping hand to families affected by the Gulf oil spill.

Angel Food Ministries recently arrived in Pensacola, Florida, with two semi trucks containing more than 80,000 pounds of food for people affected by the BP oil leak. The oil spill not only left a slick across the water and coastal region but did lasting damage to industries from fishing to tourism.

Pensacola was one of the areas that was badly affected, its families taking a direct hit from the economic blow.

To bring relief, representatives from 200 hunger advocacy agencies across the Gulf area came with trucks and trailers, delivering donated food to those who needed it most. Almost 40,000 families were helped.

The relief organization recently also sent food to needy fishermen and families in the area of St. Bernard Parish, Louisiana.

The program, which began with 34 families in Monroe, Georgia, has grown to serve hundreds of thousands of families every month across 44 states. The organization crosses denominational lines, and various nonprofit organizations and churches have signed on to use the program to feed people in their communities.



Almost 40,000 families affected by the oil spill in the Gulf were helped recently by a delivery of much-needed food.

Much like a food cooperative, Angel Food is available in a quantity that can fit into a medium-sized box, and the cost of these boxes ranges from \$22 to \$30. Each month's menu is different and consists of both fresh and frozen items.

One unit of food usually feeds a family of four for about a week or a single senior citizen for almost a month.

There is no limit to the number of units or bonus foods an individual can receive, and there are no applications to complete or qualifications to which participants must adhere.

Angel Food Ministries also participates in the U.S. Food Stamp program (SNAP) and can assist applicants in obtaining food stamps.

For more information, visit www.angelfoodministries.com or call (877) FOOD-MINISTRY.