

Harbor Life Ring



Thank you for your ongoing support of the Harbor Life Ring utilities assistance program. A special line item appears on your monthly utility bill for this purpose. Since the program launched six years ago, your generous donations have afforded relief to dozens of individuals and families experiencing temporary financial troubles.

Each November we ask that you help us with another important community need: **The Friday Harbor Food Bank.** The FHFB spends over \$7,000 each month serving an average of *490 households*. In the last year they provided over 400,000 pounds of food. The Food Bank does this *entirely* through community donations.

According to FHFB President and former County Sheriff Bill Cumming, the need for your generous donations is even greater with the changing federal program rules that impact those receiving benefits. “The very neediest amongst us are finding it harder to make ends meet without the assistance of our Food Bank,” said Cumming. Food costs continue to rise but the Food Bank is committed to keeping healthy produce and meats available. With the holidays upon us, the number in need will grow even larger--making your contributions all the more appreciated.

In an effort to assist with the Food Bank’s urgent need for funding, **the Town will direct all of your donations from this month’s Harbor Life Ring to the Friday Harbor Food Bank.** In the past you have answered the Town’s call to contribute. This year we will again offer an extra incentive: **The Town will MATCH all donations up to a total of \$1000!**

As we celebrate Thanksgiving and all that we have to be thankful for, here is perfect way to pay it forward. Please consider an extra contribution at the bottom of your utility billing. Thank you again for your generous support!

The FHFB is a 501(C)(3) non-profit corporation and your donations to their operation are tax deductible. The Food Bank is located on Market Street across from Friday Harbor Market Place grocery.

Town of Friday Harbor