

**The Slope**  
**SEPTEMBER 2021**



**A message from the NALC Region4 NBA's Office:**

Greetings NALC Sisters and Brothers,

Most likely you have already heard about the USPS updated face covering/mask policy. A copy of the July 16, 2021, letter from DPMG, Doug Tulino, regarding the revision to the mask or face covering policy can be found at [www.nalc.org](http://www.nalc.org).

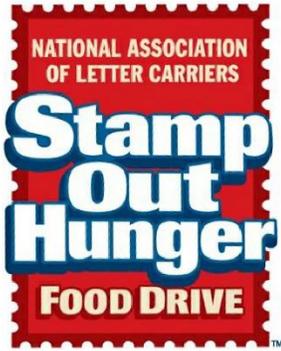
Effective immediately all postal employees and contractors who have been fully vaccinated for COVID-19 are not required to wear face coverings except where required by federal, state, local, tribal or territorial laws, rules, regulations, including local business and workplace guidance. The USPS is adopting the CDC and OSHA guidelines to define "fully vaccinated". People are considered fully vaccinated for COVID-19 two weeks or more after they have completed their final dose of a COVID-19 vaccine authorized by the U. S. Food and Drug administration. Supporting verification of COVID-19 vaccination status will not be required and should not be requested.

Employees who have not been fully vaccinated are required to wear face coverings in any situation where they cannot achieve or maintain 6 foot social distance or in public settings where there is a state or local face covering order in place.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office.

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This message was from our food coordinator to me. He wanted to give you a preview about the food drive, I will send this out again and I will follow up with you. I really hope this will take place and the covid will let us, the food banks are hurting for food. As far as the bags, we have found that the amount of food collected using bags was amazing. Denver area broke its food record from the year before just by using bags, we had a sponsor that put their business name and phone number with their website and a contact number. It was a win – win for everybody.



## MAY 14th, 2022 SECOND SATURDAY IN MAY



As the need for food assistance is still more significant than ever, we want to allow everyone to continue to meet that need and help your local community food pantry or bank. "The Stamp Out Hunger" is a drive with a single mission—to feed the hungry in America, and as always, with your help, we will!

The largest one-day food drive in the country for more than 29 years, the National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) has conducted an annual nationwide food drive on the second Saturday in May. Using the unparalleled postal networks, letter carriers collect non-perishable food donations on that day as they deliver mail along their postal routes. It is held in 10,000 cities and towns in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and Guam.

We need Branch members to help make this happen, Rank and file letter carriers, retirees, family members, local labor unions, volunteer organizations, and local food banks, unite every year to make the "Stamp Out Hunger" food drive successful. Due to co-vid 19 restrictions the food drive was postponed in, 2020,2021. We are preparing for the 30<sup>th</sup> annual food drive and need your help and ideas.

This is what we need to have a successful food drive:

- **WE NEED SPONSORS:** This is a great way for local businesses to inexpensively advertise to station zip codes for the cost of the bag, The USPS provides G-10 postage.  
\*MERCHT-shirts and food drive signs, banners, water and refreshment for parched carrier and volunteers.
- **Media coverage:** The NALC has promotional material available for local media to use and the USPS communication department is very helpful arranging local media events. Church, school, and community newsletters will usually donate space for a food drive ad to placed in their publication.
- **Station carrier coordinators:** to organize the food drive at your station. Making sure we have equipment available for sorting and pick up by your food bank. To make sure that your station is aware of the USPS support and sponsorship of the food drive.
- **Post Cards:** Making sure all cards are mailed to all customers.
- **Bags:** making sure all residential customers receive a bag, and that all apartment and townhome communities have a place for their food donations.
- **Volunteers:** to help carrier's pick-up food donations on routes, labor unions, churches, youth organization, and family members.
- **Monetary donations** (\$1 = 13 lbs. of food) from Business customers and residential customers directly donated to your station's food bank make sure donations are earmarked for the "Stamp Out Hunger" food drive. Get businesses, churches, clubs, or organizations to pledge a certain amount to your food bank or put a donation bucket or donation box out. So, choose a busy business (like a bakery or a café). The busier the business the more money you'll raise.

**This can not be done without the help of Colorado letter carriers!**

Contact:

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I plan to have a zoom meeting shortly having Jeff on to cover all the aspects of the food drive, what can be ordered like, posters, signs, and cards. He will give you information how to register to get cards, and how to get sponsors, I will be in contact as the time of the zoom.

Please be safe

In unity,

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