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Successful September Farm Share

On Saturday, September 5, 2026, the Lake City Police Department hosted a community food giveaway, serving approximately 400 local families. The event was made possible through the continued partnership with Farm Share and the support of 50 volunteers who donated their time to help make the event a success.

The food distribution was held in the LCPD parking lot, where officers and volunteers worked together to distribute 32,231 pounds of food. The items available at each Farm Share distribution are not known until the truck arrives, as the contents can vary based on what is available. This month's distribution included bananas, assorted breads, pastries and chips, cheese spread, cold brew coffee and cold foam, bottled water, rolled cookie dough, and tub cookie dough. Community members began arriving early, with vehicles lining up to receive food for their families.

"We're grateful to be able to help our community," said Chief of Police Gerald Butler. "Events like this are possible because of the partnerships and volunteers who are willing to give their time to help others. Serving 400 families in one morning is a great example of what we can accomplish when our community comes together."

LCPD would like to thank Farm Share, the volunteers who helped with the distribution, and the City of Lake City departments and community partners who assisted with setup, logistics, and the event. Their continued support allows the department to provide resources and assistance to families throughout our community.

Farm Share, founded in 1991, is Florida's homegrown food bank, recovering crops from local farmers to provide fresh, nutritious food to those facing food insecurity. More information is available at www.farmshare.org.

For more information on the Lake City Police Department's community outreach programs, visit www.lcfla.com/police.

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