

UMassFive News

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UMassFive Collecting Personal Care Items for Local Survival Centers



Hadley, MA – During the month of March, the Hadley, Northampton, and Springfield Mercy Medical Center Branches of UMassFive College Federal Credit Union are holding a Personal Care Items Drive to benefit the pantries of the Amherst Survival Center, Northampton Survival Center, and The Gray House. Items collected will be provided, for free, to our neighbors in need.

“We know that many families face tough budgetary choices between the basic need for food and affording basic personal care necessities,” says Cait Murray, Community Outreach Manager at UMassFive. “Our goal in supporting the personal care pantries of these organizations is to help

ensure our neighbors don’t have to make those impossible choices.”

UMassFive welcomes the community to drop off donations of unopened shampoo and conditioner, shaving supplies, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, toilet paper, baby diapers, menstrual products, bed and bladder pads, and adult incontinence briefs through March 31, 2023. Items can be full, travel, or complimentary hospitality sized, and may be dropped off at 200 Westgate Center Drive, Hadley MA, 225 King Street, Northampton MA, or 233 Carew Street (Rehabilitation Building Room 110), Springfield MA.

UMassFive College Federal Credit Union (UMassFive) was established in 1967 and serves the University of Massachusetts, as well as the Five College System and over 50 other local organizations that share their community-based values and vision for a sustainable local economy. As a non-profit financial cooperative, UMassFive’s earnings are returned to their membership in the form of better rates, lower fees, and improved services and banking technology. The Credit Union offers a full range of financial products, including personal and business banking and lending, retirement planning and investments, and insurance. UMassFive has over 45,000 members, six branches, and assets of over \$639 million. For more information about UMassFive, please visit www.umassfive.coop.