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Monthly Newsletter | Forever June Special



Join us next Friday!



Join us for our second annual Forever June celebration on Friday, June 10, 5-8 PM, at North Valley Food Bank (NVFB). We would like to celebrate the legacy of founder, June Munski-Feenan, with all of you!

June lived her life generously giving of herself to help anyone in need. The team of NVFB along with many members of our community have deep respect for her. June's spirit lives on in our mission and work. June was born on June 23, 1927 and grew up on her family farm in Columbia Falls. In 1977, she and her friends started to provide breads, fresh produce and limited amounts of canned goods to community members in need. Her efforts later blossomed into her founding NVFB. The food bank started in June's garage, later moved to Lupfer Avenue and finally found its home at 251 Flathead Avenue.

This year, we are not only celebrating 45-years of NVFB but also our grand

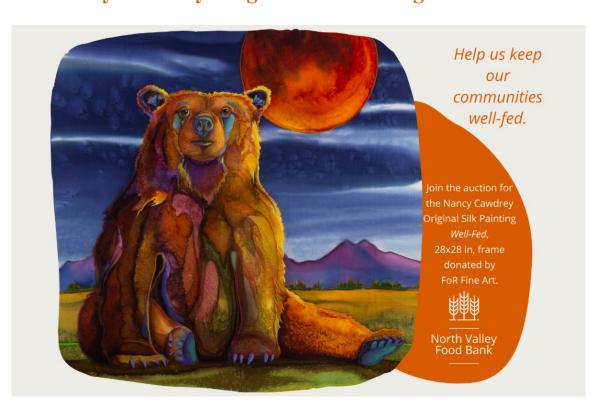
reopening after finishing a major remodel. We'll have a beer garden featuring Sacred Waters brews, delicious pizza from our kitchen, live music with Jamie Wyman, tours, kids activities and face painting, and voting for the final mural in our free grocery store. Even more exciting, you can bid in an auction for a Nancy Cawdrey original (see below for more information) and join our raffle!!!

We thank our generous sponsors Glacier Bank, Whitefish Credit Union, the Cawdrey Gallery, and FoR Fine Art for making this event possible!



June Munski-Feenan at NVFB

Auction to Benefit North Valley Food Bank: Nancy Cawdrey Original Silk Painting "Well-Fed"



Local award-winning artist Nancy Cawdrey has designed and created an original silk painting Well-Fed in honor of North Valley Food Bank's 45th Year Anniversary, our Capital Campaign Grand Reopening and our second annual founder celebration, Forever June. The stunning 28x28 painting, valued at \$7,500, has been generously donated by Cawdrey Gallery and is being professionally framed by FoR Fine Art in Whitefish, who are also donating the frame. Online bids for the painting will be accepted starting June 6 and ending Jun 20, 2022 at 5PM. In person bids will also be accepted at the Forever June event. The painting will be on display at the

Cawdrey Gallery, in downtown Whitefish, 206 Lupfer Avenue through June 20th.

All funds raised through the auction will directly benefit North Valley Food Bank's services during these extraordinary times of uncertainty and economic hardship for many of our neighbors. The mission of North Valley Food Bank is to build food security and strengthen communities. We provide food assistance to 700-850 people weekly through our free grocery store, drive-thru distribution, mobile pantries and senior deliveries in the northern Flathead and neighboring communities. In the past few weeks, we have seen more people turn to our local food banks. Over 200 NEW families came to North Valley Food Bank (NVFB) in the first quarter of 2022. This is a 69% increase in first-time customers from the previous year!

Place your bid for a chance to win this stunning Nancy Cawdrey original silk painting and help us build food security in the northern Flathead Valley and neighboring communities.

To bid on the painting go to northvalleyfoodbank.rallyup.com/wellfed or text wellfed to 855-202-2100.

We Are Seeking a Mural Artist!

We have teamed up with KALICO Art Center and are seeking mural artists to design and complete a mural on an interior wall of our free grocery store. Get inspired and show us your community-minded food security designs!

Learn about the details at https://kalicoartcenter.org/call-for-art-nvfb



Volunteer at our Forever June Event!

Do you like kitchen prep? Do you love hosting community members? Do you enjoy giving tour? We have many wonderful opportunities volunteer at our Forever June event. If you are interested, check our volunteer homepage here or contact Anya at anya@northvalleyfoodbank.org.

Help us fill the shelves in our Grocery Store and ensure all of our neighbors have access to nutritious food!

Housing is scarce, gas prices are rising and inflation is at an all-time high. As a result, we are supporting *many new customers* at NVFB.









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