



Dear Friends,

In 2025, we continue to see a pressing need in our community, especially among working adults, small children, students and senior citizens on a fixed income. One of our senior guests recently shared, "Without this place, I wouldn't have any food at all." At Twin Lakes Food Bank, we assist our community's most vulnerable by providing supplemental groceries, healthy alternatives, and resources to promote self-sufficiency. We forecast serving over 30,000 people this year! Our 2025 Gala fundraiser is crucial to securing the resources needed to make this happen. The Gala will include a Live Auction and Dinner on November 7, and an Online Auction on October 31 -November 9.

Our goal this year is to raise \$300,000. For our online auction, please consider donating gift certificates, merchandise or services. Twin Lakes Food Bank is solely funded by personal and corporate donations. We greatly appreciate your help to bring us one step closer to supporting our neighbors through food distribution, programs and services. All money raised goes directly to the people we serve.

### **What's in it for you?**

- Complete Social Media kit certifying your community involvement and support for you to share on social media or email with your audience.
- Your logo and link to your website in the online auction catalog.
- A listing in the event program (donations received by October 1).

To donate to the online auction, please complete the form at:

[https://twinlakesfoodbank.tofinoauctions.com/gala2025/donate\\_items/new](https://twinlakesfoodbank.tofinoauctions.com/gala2025/donate_items/new) . To join us as a Sponsor you can use this same link or contact [lisatuter@twinlakesfoodbank.org](mailto:lisatuter@twinlakesfoodbank.org) for more information. On behalf of those being served, we are grateful for your consideration. You can reach us at [auction@twinlakesfoodbank.org](mailto:auction@twinlakesfoodbank.org) for any other questions.

With appreciation,

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# Donating Online Auction Items for the Gala


Your generosity helps make our Gala Auction a success! By donating an item, service, or experience, you'll not only support Twin Lakes Food Bank, but also provide exciting opportunities for our supporters to bid on.

Please note: Some auction items may be combined with others to create unique, high-value packages and experiences.

## How to Donate

Your generosity makes our online auction possible—and every donation helps raise critical funds to support families in need. Whether you're giving a gift card, a basket, or a one-of-a-kind experience, your contribution will directly impact our mission to fight hunger and bring hope.

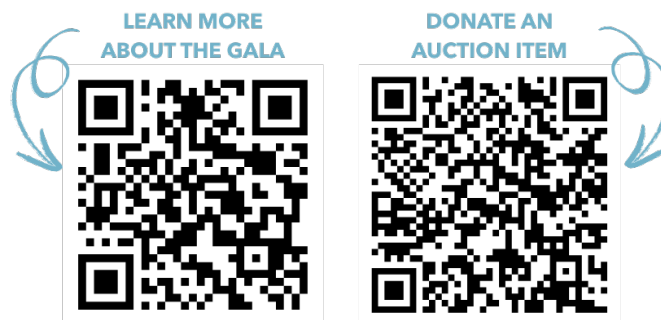
### Donation Process

- 1. Complete the Donation Form:** All items must be submitted through our online donation form so our team can properly receive and catalog them.  
 [Fill out the Donation Form here](#)
- 2. Donation Deadline:** Please submit your donation no later than October 17th to ensure it can be included in the auction.
- 3. Tax Information:** Donations are tax-deductible as the law permits. Twin Lakes Food Bank is a registered 501(c)(3). Tax ID #68-0225605

Questions? We're Here to Help. If you have a specific question about your donation, please don't hesitate to reach out. Our auction team would be glad to assist you.

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## Donation Ideas

Ideal Price Point: \$50 – \$1000

The online auction gives attendees and the general public the chance to participate and bid on a wide range of items. We are especially looking for:

- Gift cards (restaurants, local shops, services)
- Specialty gift baskets (wine, coffee, gourmet food, themed baskets)
- Experiences (tickets, classes, lessons, adventures)
- Professional services (photography, fitness, consulting, etc.)

**Dining & Culinary Experiences** Food and beverage experiences bring people together and make for incredible auction moments.

- Restaurant gift cards (\$25–\$100+)
- Catered meals for families or groups
- Private chef dinners or tasting menus
- Specialty food baskets (gourmet BBQ trays, chocolate, coffee, baked goods)
- Brewery, winery, or distillery tastings for groups
- Wine + cheese pairing experiences
- Ice cream party or dessert catering
- Exclusive restaurant packages
- Group dining experiences

**Entertainment & Experiences** From nights at the theater to sporting events and unique outings, these gifts create lasting memories.

- Theater, Sports, or concert tickets
- Comedy club passes
- Symphony or jazz festival tickets
- Professional sports tickets (NFL, soccer, etc.)
- Escape rooms or themed tours
- Rodeo or fair admission packages
- Craft or art classes (painting, jewelry, pottery, etc.)

**Health, Wellness & Beauty** Encourage relaxation, self-care, and healthy living with services and products that help people feel their best.

- Spa, salon, or barber gift certificates
- Yoga or Pilates class packages
- Fitness training sessions or gym memberships
- Orthodontics or dental care credits
- Massage or wellness treatments
- Specialty haircare or beauty baskets

**Travel & Adventure** Give the gift of exploration with exciting getaways, outdoor excursions, and leisure activities.

- Weekend cabin or vacation home stays
- Guided kayak, bike, or outdoor tours
- Golf rounds with cart included
- Ski lift passes or resort packages
- Bike rentals or gear bundles

**Home, Art, & Lifestyle** Celebrate creativity and comfort with handcrafted items, home décor, and one-of-a-kind treasures.

- Handmade quilts or woodworking pieces
- Jewelry (gold, silver, artisan-crafted)
- Original artwork or photography sessions
- Premium kitchenware or home décor
- Seasonal/holiday décor baskets
- Gardening or landscaping services

**Family Fun** Bring joy to kids and families with outings, activities, and playful experiences for all ages.

- Roller skating or bowling passes
- Dave & Buster's or arcade baskets
- Amusement/water park tickets
- Craft parties for kids or adults
- BarkBox or pet-themed gift baskets
- Car wash/detailing packages

**Business & Community** Spotlight local businesses while providing practical services, gift cards, and community connections.

- Gift cards to local shops or boutiques
- Branded swag baskets with gift cards
- Professional services (photography, headshots, piano tuning)
- Event sponsorships with recognition

**Other Ideas** Have something else in mind? We'd love to hear it! From one-of-a-kind experiences to unique treasures, we welcome an assortment of creative donations. Please reach out—we're happy to chat about how your idea can make an impact.