



RIVER BEND FOODBANK

River Bend Foodbank is launching Client Empowerment interventions!

In addition to continuing to increase access to nutritious food and improve diet quality, RBFb is implementing interventions to help "end the line" by improving guests' quality of life. Over the next several months, we will begin offering:

Launching in October:

Case Management (Referral and Nudges):

A dedicated River Bend Foodbank staff member will monitor clients enrolled in our Client Empowerment interventions. RBFb will track their progress, motivate, and provide incentives for success, to ensure they complete the intervention successfully.

Workforce Development (Career Pathways, Stackable Credentials, Sector-Focused Programs, Job Search Assistance):

Partnering with local colleges and companies, clients will have access to short-term certificate training programs in areas of high demand with local employers. Scott Community College is offering training for Iowa clients in high-demand fields including Welding, CNC Programming, Medical Assistant, Practical Nurse, Electrical Systems, and Information Technology. Scholarships may be available.

Coming Soon:

Dedicated enrollment support for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) *formerly called Food Stamps*:

A River Bend Foodbank SNAP Coordinator will help eligible clients enroll in SNAP benefits in Iowa and Illinois, expanding their access to food assistance.

Financial Security Coaching (Financial Coaching/Rules of Thumb/ Incentivized Tax Savings):

Partnering with experienced local organizations, clients in Iowa and Illinois will have access to hands-on training in money management, credit building, and basic personal finance.