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Dear Enabled Agency Partner,

With the rising number of stores who sell not only groceries, but also many other goods, there has been a shift in what stores are attempting to donate. United Food Bank, by our definition, accepts and distributes food and other consumables.

From this point forward, nonfood items will be defined as items which are either single use (paper towel, diapers) or nondurable goods (hygiene items, cleaning supplies and pet food). Any items which do not fall into these two definitions are NOT to be recorded in the nonfood category of MealConnect. The best practice to gauge if you should enter any nonfood item is: can it be washed and used again? If so it is not considered nonfood for MealConnect reporting purposes. Stores should have different contacts to pick-up durable goods such as bikes, furniture and clothing.

One other thing which the uptick of durable good donations brings into question is the distribution of any such goods.

Per the Enabled Agency Rules of Conduct and donation agreements:

“The integrity of the Enabled Agency, Community Partners, and all participating parties must be maintained at all times. An Enabled Agency may **NOT**

- Sell, barter, trade, or exchange for services, any of the food or items received from Community Partners in association with United Food Bank.”

Thank you for your contributions and all your hard work. We appreciate your help in our fight against hunger in the community.

Sincerely,

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