



# Raleigh Coin Club

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## **Raleigh Coin Club to Host Food Drive to Benefit Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina at Annual Money Expo™**

The Raleigh Coin Club (RCC) is joining with the Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina to collect non-perishable food and related items for needy families in the greater Raleigh/Wake County area. The food drive will be a central component of the club's upcoming 41<sup>st</sup> annual Raleigh Money Expo™, to be held July 18-20 at the Exposition Center on the North Carolina State Fairgrounds.

The Raleigh Money Expo™ is the largest coin, currency and stamp show in the Carolinas, featuring 150 dealer tables offering a wide selection of US and World coins and currency, along with a large variety of tokens, medals, collecting supplies and new and collectible books. A special section devoted to US and World stamps, covers and postal stationery will also be available. The Expo offers something for almost every collector.

One objective of the club's mission is to support its local community. The RCC regularly offers educational outreach programs in money collecting, but decided to go beyond its numismatic base at this year's Expo and help those in the community who are at risk for hunger. It hopes the food drive will be strongly supported by those attending the show and has set up an incentive program to give the drive every chance of success.

For each non-perishable item brought to the Raleigh Money Expo™ the donor will receive a chance to win a prize donated by a local merchant who also supports the mission of the Food Bank. There is no limit to the number of chances a donor will receive – every item donated qualifies for a chance at a prize. The list of merchants providing prizes will continue to grow right on up to the show dates. A complete list is available on the club's web site at [www.RaleighCoinClub.org](http://www.RaleighCoinClub.org).

The RCC will accept non-perishable food products, sealed beverages and non-food essentials such as hygiene items, cleaning items or paper products.

The most needed items include:

- Canned Fruits, Vegetables, Meat, and Soup (*Pop-top cans and low sodium a plus!*)
- Whole Grain Pasta, Brown Rice, Dried Beans, and Cereal
- Peanut Butter
- *For Infants\**: Formula, Infant Cereal, Diapers, and Wipes
- *For Kids*: Fruit Cups, Juice Boxes, Granola Bars, Crackers, Popcorn and Sugar-Free Pudding Cups
- Non-Food Essentials: Hygiene Items, Household Items, and Paper Products

*\* Please - No loose glass or plastic jars of baby food as they will have to be discarded due to health regulations.*

Cash donations will also be accepted.

Collectors seeking more information about the show, including updates regarding the Food Drive, should visit [www.RaleighCoinClub.org](http://www.RaleighCoinClub.org).

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### ***About the Raleigh Coin Club***

The Raleigh Coin Club is a non-profit educational organization dedicated to educating and encouraging people to collect and study money and related items; it was organized in 1954. The club meets at 7:30pm on the third Tuesday of each month at the Ridge Road Baptist Church on Ridge Road in Raleigh.

### ***About the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina***

The Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina is a nonprofit organization that has provided food for people at risk of hunger in 34 counties in central and eastern North Carolina for more than 30 years. The Food Bank serves a network of more than 800 partner agencies such as soup kitchens, food pantries, shelters, and programs for children and adults through warehouses in Durham, Greenville, New Bern, Raleigh, the Sandhills (Southern Pines), and Wilmington. In fiscal year 2012-2013, the Food Bank distributed nearly 52 million pounds of food and non-food essentials through these agencies. Sadly, hunger remains a serious problem in central and eastern North Carolina. In these counties, more than 560,000 struggle each day to provide enough food for their families. [www.foodbankcenc.org](http://www.foodbankcenc.org). Twitter: @FoodBankCENC