

## GO AFTER AN AWARD...

### TOP FUNDRAISER AWARD

The traveling trophy resides for the year with the Top Fundraiser Team.

*2024 - Broadway Christian Church*



### GREATEST GROWTH AWARD

For the organization with the greatest percent increase over their previous year's contribution.

*2024 - Columbia United Church of Christ*



### MOST WALKERS AWARD

For the organization with the most registered walkers present at the Walk Day event.

*2024 - Destiny Worship Center (23)*

## SHAKESPEARE'S PIZZA

On WALK day, go to any of the three Shakespeare's Pizza locations and show our **REQUIRED** coupon.

You'll earn 15% for our CROP Walk on ALL purchases!

[www.crophungerwalk.org/columbiamo](http://www.crophungerwalk.org/columbiamo)

## DONATION INFORMATION

- **Credit card or electronic donations**  
[www.crophungerwalk.org/columbiamo](http://www.crophungerwalk.org/columbiamo)
- **Drop-off checks and cash on Walk Day** - from 1-3 pm at Stephens Park
- **Mail** - contact our treasurer, Linda Reed Brown @ [lreedbrown@hotmail.com](mailto:lreedbrown@hotmail.com)

***Make your checks payable to CWS/CROP***

## WALK THE WALK - RACK UP THE DOLLARS

- **DON'T BE SHY!** tell friends, family, neighbors, and businesses you frequent about the mission and successes of Columbia CROP Hunger Walk. Ask them to financially support your efforts.
- **WANT TO WALK ONLINE?** See the ***"Walk on the Web"*** guide in the promotional packet AND go to the CROP resources page to get a complete ***Social Media Guide***.

## WALK THE WALK - RACK UP THE MILES

- **DURING THE WEEK BEFORE WALK DAY:** walk on your own schedule. Report your mileage or steps to your group leader or bring with you on Walk Day. Add your steps to our shared tally!
- **WALK DAY:** join your CROP WALK friends at Stephens Park for all the fun of our annual event. Add these miles too.
- **BE A SPIRIT WALKER:** can't take the steps yourself? Find a person or Columbia team you would like to financially support on the Columbia CROP Walk webpage.

## BRING FOOD FOR OUR PANTRIES

Collect canned high-protein food and convenient boxed food and bring them with you to the WALK event. Food items will be distributed to our local food program partners at the end of the day. Our list:

- canned tuna, pork, chicken, and beef
- peanut butter
- baked beans, pork & beans, and chili beans
- canned chili, beef stew, and chicken & dumplings
- boxed mac & cheese, hamburger helper, and potatoes

***Please, no #10 (commercial-sized) cans!***

## CONCERT - bring your lawn chair

Join us at 2:15 for warm-up music and at 2:30 for a 45-minute lawn concert by our youth. Larry Brown, local storyteller and singer, will be master of ceremonies. Contact Don Harter at [harterd@missouri.edu](mailto:harterd@missouri.edu) for information about how to sign up.

## CROP - COMMUNITIES RESPONDING TO OVERCOME POVERTY

The Columbia CROP Hunger Walk Planning Team includes your neighbors -- representing Columbia faith groups, civic organizations and hunger programs. Contact us about joining the Planning Team.

- **Our Food Partners receive 25% of funds raised to address hunger in Columbia**  
See the ***"Stories of Change: Transformed Lives"*** resource sheet on our Columbia CROP webpage
- **Our National Sponsor, Church World Service, uses 75% of the funds raised to provide sustainable solutions to hunger and human crises in the USA and around the world.**  
Learn more about the many ways we help and get resources at [www.crophungerwalk.org](http://www.crophungerwalk.org)



# Columbia

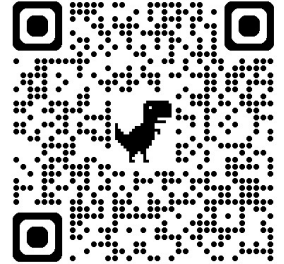
## CROP Hunger Walk 2025

### Sunday, September 21

**Gordon Shelter, Stephens Lake Park**

#### SINCE 1995:

*Columbia has walked together –  
challenging hunger, poor health and other barriers  
to well-being for our neighbors near and distant.  
Join us for this 30th Columbia CROP Walk!*



THE NUMBERS	2024 Goal	2024 Actual	2025 GOALS
Total Contributions	\$25,000	\$26,854.32	\$30,000
Number of Walkers	125	131	150
Miles Walked (including week before)	800	1,198	1,500
Cans of Food Collected	250	542	750
CWS National Cream of the CROP Ranking	#63	#62	#60
Number of Participating Teams		17	20

WHEN WE WALK, LIVES ARE TRANSFORMED, COMMUNITIES BREAK THE CYCLE OF POVERTY  
CHILDREN & FAMILIES HAVE ACCESS TO NUTRITIOUS FOOD, CLEAN WATER , EDUCATION & TRAINING

#### YOUR CROP WALK SCHEDULE

**NOW:** Register your team on our webpage

#### 2-3 WEEKS BEFORE THE WALK:

- Start collecting food items
- Sign-up for the **CROSS MISSOURI CROP WALK**

**1 WEEK BEFORE THE WALK:** Start walking and tally your miles or steps to report on Walk Day

#### WALK DAY:

- 1:00** - Come to the park and register. Bring your friends, canned food, number of miles tallied, and the donations you have collected
- 1:30** - Welcome program; Walking begins
- 2:30** - The CROP Celebration Concert
- All day** - Shakespeare's Pizza 15% fundraiser

#### OUR 2025 LOCAL GRANT RECIPIENTS ARE:

Destiny Worship Center Food Pantry  
Fifth Street Feed the Community Meal  
Loaves & Fishes Soup Kitchen  
Russell Chapel Community Food Pantry  
*See our "Stories of Change: Transformed Lives" flyer for ways you have made a difference.*

**Columbia CROP Walk Webpage**  
Our webpage, team registration, resources  
[www.crophungerwalk.org/columbiamo](http://www.crophungerwalk.org/columbiamo)

**Columbia CROP Facebook**  
<https://www.facebook.com/comocrop/>