

2021 ABC15 Water Drive Kicks Off June 1st

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ABC15 Arizona and CW61 are taking action to help the community during Arizona's hot summer months. St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) gives out approximately 4,000 bottles of water a day to people in need.

ABC15 Arizona and CW61, in partnership with SVdP, Bashas' and Food City, are hosting a summer water drive to help the less fortunate and encouraging our community to donate.

Dates:

Monday, June 1 – Sunday, June 14

How to Donate:

- All Bashas' and Food City locations throughout the state of Arizona will be accepting monetary donations at the register June 1-14 and water donations on Thursday, June 3, and Thursday, June 10. • All six St. Vincent de Paul thrift stores. Store hours and addresses are listed at abc15.com/water. • Text "Waterdrive" anytime to 474747
- Online at abc15.com/water

ABC15 and CW61 will host a phone bank on Thursday, June 10, to give viewers an additional way to help our community. SVdP volunteers will be taking donations in local shows throughout the day and the message of need will be delivered on all ABC15 platforms.

"Summer is such a challenging season for so many," said Shannon Clancy, SVdP associate CEO. "As some of us escape indoors into air conditioning, let's remember those who can't escape the heat or who can't afford higher utility bills during Arizona summers. A bottle of water is the first line of relief we can offer our neighbors in need, but St. Vincent de Paul can only do so through the help, compassion and generosity of our community. We are grateful to ABC15 and Bashas' for making this opportunity and water drive possible."

"Access to fresh water is critical for survival. Not just during hot summer months but also during emergency response situations," said Edward "Trey" Basha, president and CEO of Bashas' Family of Stores. "St. Vincent de Paul provides invaluable support for first responders on the frontline of disasters, while also ensuring that families across Arizona have the lifesaving clean water they need."

"No secret, Arizona summers are hot - the gift of water can truly be the difference between life and death," said Anita Helt, vice president and general manager at ABC15. "It is our privilege to assist St. Vincent de Paul with their mission; to help our neighbors in need."

For more information, go to abc15.com/water.