Challenge 4: Donate non-perishable excess food monthly to a local food bank (2 credits)

Food waste is a big challenge in schools. But food waste doesn't just happen when students don't eat their food, sometimes schools order too much food, resulting in food waste that will end up at the landfill. This what we call "excess food."

In order to limit excess food waste, your school can donate leftover non-perishable food to a local food pantry. Here are some steps in order to complete this challenge:

1. Work with your cafeteria staff to set up a bin in the kitchen for them to place excess non-perishable and unopened food items .
2. Have volunteer students or teachers inspect the bin once a week to make sure all items are non-perishable and unopened
3. Once the bin is full, either deliver food to your local food bank or store the full bin in a safe area of the school, and place a new bin in the cafeteria kitchen
4. Deliver food to an **Elkhart**, **Goshen**, or **New Paris** food pantry either monthly or whenever your bin(s) become full

To receive credit for this challenge, your semester report will have to include:
- A picture of one of your excess food bins at full capacity
- Picture(s) of students and/or teachers delivering food to the local food bank