

Mayor Langford publicly thanked the city's employees for the tons (literally) of food that were collected for Haiti recently during his weekly report to the City Council this morning. He then publicly challenged Birmingham's citizens to do the same for people in their own communities, asking the City Council to declare November 5, 6 and 7 as the dates for a citywide food collection drive and then challenging them and the local business community to match a \$10,000 donation from the mayor's office for the area food banks. The council immediately stepped up to the place.

So after you've finished voting for your candidate on Election Day, start preparing to bring non-perishable food items to various locations once details are announced by the mayor's office.