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A donation drive to help furloughed federal workers in Little Rock is scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday. KUAR's David Monteith has more.

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The initiative, known as Little Rock Cares, was started by employees of the Bill and Hillary Clinton National Airport as a way of helping each other during the partial government shutdown. It was expanded to a citywide effort when the shutdown lengthened. Airport spokesman Shane Carter hopes the two-day donation drive will serve the most immediate needs of workers going without a paycheck.

Carter 0:

Little Rock Mayor Frank Scott Jr says the donations will help while other options for relief are being explored.

Scott 0:

The event is being organized by the city of Little Rock, the airport, the Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance and the Arkansas Foodbank. According to the mayor's office, roughly half of the state's 14,000 federal employees are furloughed. And 500 of those are in the city of Little Rock. A list of drop sites for donations can be found at KUAR <dot> ORG.

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Little Rock's furloughed federal workers may get some help as the result of a citywide donation drive. The Little Rock Cares donation drive will run Tuesday and Wednesday. Airport spokesman Shane Carter says over 100 employees of the airport are continuing to report for work despite not receiving a paycheck.

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"...and pay their bills"

The city of Little Rock, the airport, the Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance and the Arkansas Foodbank are collaborating to organize the donations, which will benefit the roughly 500 federal employees in the city. A list of requested items and drop sites can be found at KUAR <dot> ORG.