A new program called Food for Thought-New School Food Pantry in Yankton is getting a boost from the state Department of Corrections.

The Yankton School District has partnered with Feeding South Dakota to open a new School Food Pantry, Food for Thought, at Lincoln Elementary. Anyone who has children enrolled in the Yankton School District (pre-K through grade 12) and is in need of food assistance is welcome at Food for Thought. The first distribution was on September 14, 2016. Another distribution session is scheduled for September 28 from 6-8pm.

The Yankton Community Work Center (YCWC) inmate garden, utilizing space on the grounds of the Human Services Center Campus, provided 1,035 pounds of produce for the distribution event. The items donated from the garden were potatoes, squash, carrots, broccoli, peppers, green beans, watermelon and tomatoes.

Case Manager Bruce Fisher oversees the garden project at the YCWC.