YEAR IN REVIEW

When asked to describe last year at WCFP, employees and volunteers answered:

- compassion
- busy
- nutrition
- community
- laughter
- gratitude
- constant change
- basic needs
- team
- exhausting
- partnerships
- work
- donations
- generosity
- togetherness

I think the best word to describe the past year at the food pantry is "renewed." While we continued to serve Washington County through Joseph's Coat and the food pantry, we also took a step back and asked what more can we offer to our communities.

We know our work is often invisible. Hunger is not loud and you cannot see it. Many times the struggle with hunger is more of a decision between purchasing food or fixing the car or paying for medications. No one wants to be hungry and it is hard to ask for help. And asking for help is even more difficult when you are not sure where to turn.

Throughout 2022 we have strengthened our resolve to help our neighbors with information and resources on where help can be found. We know hunger is only part of the equation. We are moving forward with a renewed sense of purpose and dedication to our mission of "serving the needs of our local communities through food distribution and support services that engage overall health and well-being." We are here to care for our county in many more ways than just providing food.

We are Here For Good - to do good work. We are Here For Good - for the future. We are proud of the work we have done, and we are grateful to each of you who have supported us. Your generous support of funding and food products ensures that together we are improving health wellness and quality of life for our neighbors in Washington County.

Blessings,

Denise Cada, Strategic Director
Washington County Food Pantry
The Washington County Food Pantry was dedicated to providing a variety of nutritional food support for the over 2,000 individuals we served in 2022. The food came from a multitude of sources including farmers, distributors, grocery stores, and individual/community food drives.

100% of our funding was local. Generous individuals and businesses supported our mission throughout the year. We annually host Christmas for the Coat and take part in Washington County Gives. 100% of the donations stay local.
2022 IN REVIEW

every community

We served individuals and families from every zip code in Washington County.

We provided essential nutrition to each age group.

all ages

9
average number of new families that visited the pantry each month

97%
of distributed food was meat, fruit, dairy, vegetables & grains

8.2
TONS of cardboard was recycled from the food pantry

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The Washington County Food Pantry Board of Directors decided in 2022 that we were going to focus on re-introducing our organization to the communities we serve. Re-introduce them to the services we provide, how we provide those services and what our future looks like.

We've invested in a new website that gives donors more options for giving. We invested in a wonderful video that tells our story. We've invested in our space, we've invested in our employees and most of all we've invested in our community by declaring that we are HERE FOR GOOD.

The need is great and it doesn't stop with food. Our focus is not only how we can serve our patrons, but how can we serve them MORE.

Our challenge is the future...by solidifying our place in the community, by keeping our organization strong and nimble and by having open hearts and open minds...the future is exciting!

We're HERE FOR GOOD. We're sticking around for the long haul. Because if there is one thing we have learned, it is that when you take care of your community, your community takes care of you!

Thank you for your continued generosity and support -

JoEllen Maras, President
Board of Directors
WAYS TO DONATE

The Washington County Food Pantry relies on community donations for support. We could not serve those in need without your donations! Joseph’s Coat is a 501(c)3 organization. All gifts are tax-deductible.

Drop off gently used clothing, household items and small furniture. We sell the items at Joseph’s Coat

Sales from donations fund food purchases for the Washington County Food Pantry

Walmart Sparkgood - select Joseph's Coat as your giving charity on Walmart.com and round up each time you make a purchase.

Contact us about coordinating a local food drive. It is a great community service project for your family, organization or company.

Donorbox - donating online is easy and quick. Visit www.josephs.coat.org/support.

Planned charitable giving. We have teamed up with the Washington County Community Foundation to ensure that your philanthropic wishes are honored. Consider leaving a legacy of hope.

Monetary Donations are always accepted in person or by mail.

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