

Community Resource Program of Door County, Inc.
FEED MY PEOPLE/CLOTHE MY PEOPLE

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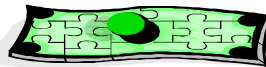
NEWSLETTER
Neighbors Helping Neighbors

FALL 2004



HOURS OF OPERATION
Monday3-7 p.m.
Tuesday 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Wednesday..... 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Thursday3-7 p.m.
Friday 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

**WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!
YOU HAVE OUR THANKS!**



Your support has meant so much to our organization and the work we do. It's enabled us to meet the demands of increased need in these hard economic times. It's also through the generosity of several individuals and organizations over a long period of time as well as our Board of Directors' hard work that we were finally able to reach our goal of retiring the mortgage on the building. Thank you for your part in turning this dream into a reality.

Our shelves would be empty without community support. Please continue your donations through organizational food drives as well as your personal contributions. Together we can see that no one in Door County goes hungry.

SUCCESSFUL FOOD DRIVES

We are so grateful to the organizations, projects and individuals that have had successful food drives on our behalf in the last few months. Here are a few of them: Boy Scouts (6500 items), Gibraltar Schools, CROP Walk, Postal Carriers, Sturgeon Bay Powder Puff, DCMH, the Day of Caring collection & the Coast Guard. Plant a Row for the Hungry also resulted in lots of fresh produce from individuals' gardens, the research station and Crossroads at Big Creek. What a fantastic treat! Thank you to everyone who has coordinated or contributed to a food drive or made sure excess garden produce was provided to those in need.

FEED MY PEOPLE SEEKS THOSE IN NEED

We're not convinced that everyone who needs food is being served. We seek the homebound, the folks who are reticent to ask for help and other pantry programs that are struggling and could use some help. Please forward requests/suggestions to Joe Miller at 839-9783 or Pete Thelen at 839-2954.

CURRENT FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Canned Fruit	Rice
Jams & Jelly	Canned Soups
Pancake Mix & Syrup	Mayonnaise
Dish Soap	Shampoo
Chili Beans	Potatoes (can or box)



FEED MY PEOPLE & SECOND HARVEST

We stretch your giving dollars by purchasing bulk food from this national food program. Because of that participation and the success of area food drives we can stretch your \$20 donation to feed a family of 4 for 7 to 10 days. That includes vouchers to area grocery stores for fresh foods such as milk and eggs.



Our volunteers are what keep us going and the time they contribute would otherwise cost us well over \$100,000 per year!! We estimate that volunteers spend about 10,176 hrs per year on average for FMP/CMP as volunteers in the food pantry, clothing program, building maintenance and board of director work.

HELP WANTED

*Current needs:
We're short of help every day of the week:*

*Mondays and Thursdays 3-7 p.m.
Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.*

If you have a few hours to spare, why not join this team of enthusiastic, fun loving volunteers.

We're saddened by the recent loss of volunteer Jean Pokrzywinski. We extend our sympathies to her family and our gratitude for the generosity of her devotion to our community.

Congratulations to Carol Karas who has become our new Senior Aide. Stella has been in need of special assistance for quite some time and we're very fortunate to be able to participate in this program that assists area businesses as well as the seniors who participate.

We'd like to welcome our newest volunteers Evelyn Vandertie & Jeanne Lattimer who have been of great help and welcome back to LaVerne Pizzala who has returned after recovering from an injury. We sure missed you. We are eternally grateful to these angels who keep Feed My People/Clothe My People running smoothly.

WE'RE ON THE WEB TOO!

With the help of Board Member Ann Barnard, we have joined the web. Want to know more about us? Read this newsletter on line? Just who's on our Board of Directors? How to become a donor or a volunteer?

Visit us at:

www.feedmypeopledoortcounty.org

COATS FOR KIDS PROGRAMS

This program is a little different this year. Generous area Cleaners are still cleaning the gently used children's outerwear that you drop off at their establishments and we are still providing these items for free to children from families in need. What's changed is that there is no sign up, special appointments, or long forms to fill out. Questioning will be limited to identifying whether the garments are for children. These items can be picked up at the families' own convenience during our regular building hours all of October and November. When they go to check out at the cashier, the winter outerwear for children is free. If you become aware of someone who still needs these items after November, please contact Stella to make arrangements to accommodate their needs.

HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

The holidays are right around the corner and Stella is already busy planning this year's events. The anonymous matching of generous donors with family profiles takes a great deal of work and

planning. It also takes nerves of steel as this group strives to obtain donors for every profile submitted with none left over.

Special food baskets will be prepared by area organizations and gifts received from many organizations and individuals will be provided to families who have participated in filling out the profiles. Some of the profiles are split among several donors and some organizations take whole profiles. If there is anyone you know who would like to participate in this program at either end of it, please call Stella.

HOME IMPROVEMENTS



Have you seen the new look of the Feed My People building exterior? Late this summer we replaced the old unsightly freestanding sign with a new one attached to the front of our building. The change presents a much more attractive look as well as clearer information. We're still hoping to be able to wire it for lighting in the coming months but we love the new look. We're also still in the process of replacing worn doors that access the food area.

Thank you again for your continued support through your giving and your prayers ...

Board of Directors: Ann Barnard, Tim Comeford, John Cullinan, Judi Dexheimer, Betty Gales, Lyle Hanson, David Harsh, Tom Jung, Larry Mackowski, Joe Miller, Charlene Rowe, Dick Shappell, Dan Taylor, Pete Thelen, Stella Huff (Coordinator)

MISSION STATEMENT

Community Resource Program of Door County, Inc. is a community based, volunteer program that exists to provide food and clothing to residents of Door County who are in need, both on an emergency as well as long term basis, in a welcoming and friendly atmosphere, with respect and dignity to each person.



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