



Food for the Hungry, Inc

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From the President's Desk

Wow! It's been ten years since Food for the Hungry began operations, delivering a box of bakery to La Causa Crisis Nursery on Milwaukee's south side. And what a ride it has been.

What began as a community service project of the West Allis Knights of Columbus has grown to one of the largest programs serving the poor in 11 counties in southeast Wisconsin. Over a thousand meal programs, food pantries and other entities dealing with the impoverished receive bakery and other products today from Food for the Hungry.

Over 200 bakeries, stores and bagel shops provide their left-over bakery.

We have become one of the largest charities serving the needy that does not have a paid staff. Our volunteers range from students from a middle school in Brookfield to retirees who brave the heat and cold, snow and rain.

Many of our delivery locations are distribution points for programs in their area. There is hardly a program serving the needy in one of the poorest metro areas in the country that we do not work with. Some of our workers deliver food to homeless people sleeping under bridges.

We do not re-sell anything we receive, and our workers monitor the usage at their delivery sites so that we are able to service those most in need. And it's not just bread any more. Some of our donors provide other food, clothing, even furniture.

On the Calendar

*Poverty and want
Have many faces
Speak many languages
Are of many faiths
And have many causes*

We are a 501 (c) 3 organization



November

Thanksgiving:

We will again partner with Brownberry to provide bread for food baskets distributed by various programs

December 13: Christmas dinner for Veterans at Knights of Columbus Hall, 1800 S 92nd Street

Christmas: Christmas Dinner at the Frontier Airlines Center...*Food for the Hungry and Brownberry will again supply the bakery.*



Coordinators Notes

Thanks to the generosity of Brownberry, we are again partnering with Hunger Task Force and Salvation Army for the Thanksgiving Food Baskets as well as the dinner at Frontier Airlines Center this year.

Over the past few months we have greatly expanded in our western areas. Volunteers collect bakery at Brownberry's Oconomowoc site and deliver it to areas spreading through Waukesha, Jefferson, Walworth, Dodge, Columbia and even Sauk County. We now have deliveries to about 1100 receiving sites.

It seems whenever there is media coverage of a program serving the poor, it's one of the places we deliver to. And the phone keeps ringing.



Just ten years ago we started with one program, one bakery. Today we have about 200 donor stores, bakeries, bagel shops etc. and about 400 volunteers who work a few hours to deliver food to those who would otherwise go hungry.

*Mike Czarnecki,
Coordinator*