



Food For Thought

Happy New Year to you all! It has already been an exciting time for us here at the FISH Pantry, with new equipment, new volunteers, new Board members, and even new record setting!

The **Roseburg Food Project** had a record setting collection last month. With 73 neighborhood coordinators and 772 donors, we collected 13,735 pounds of food! This is the most food EVER collected in one month! What a great way to end the year. We hope you are all getting ready for next month. Historically, February has been a lower collection, so let's tell all of our friends and family to make sure to clean out cupboards and shop those sales. Let's set another record! The next collection day is: **Saturday, February 9th** See you then



**FUN FOOD FACT: APPLES ARE MADE OF 25% AIR,
WHICH IS WHY THEY FLOAT!**

**We have a lot of apples at the pantry right now, which is great,
because we love having fresh produce for our clients.**

We are so thrilled to have recently installed new refrigeration/freezer equipment in the FISH Pantry, thanks to a grant we received from the Crane Creek Family Fund, along with a \$10,000 check from the First Interstate Bank Foundation for our Solar Energy Project and Refrigeration. We were able to combine these funds with the Oregon Food Bank grant we received in November, along with matching funds from the FISH, to replace an outdated reach-in cooler, and very dilapidated, old, chest freezer. We now have an updated, energy efficient reach-in cooler, reach-in storage freezer, and an additional reach-in freezer. The positive feedback we have been getting from both clients and volunteers has been outstanding!

*Kim Jasper,
Executive Director*

I would like to personally thank the many volunteers who have partnered with FISH. Whether you are a new member to our community who has jumped right in, striving to make a difference in Douglas County, a donor, Board member, neighborhood coordinator with the Roseburg Food Project, one of our founding churches... The list goes on and on. And for great reasons too! It is so uplifting to do good, especially when you are surrounded by an entire group of people who are doing good alongside you. We have a lot of fun together, and I am so grateful for great people that I get to surround myself with every day! So Thank You!



THE FISH OF ROSEBURG SERVICE SUMMARY

The FISH Pantry was open
14 times for 28 hours during the month of December

<u>Annual Totals:</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>				
# of Families:	11,769	11,018	10,707				
# of Persons:	45,185	41,924	39,457				
<u>Totals for December:</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>				
# of Families:	970	927	857				
# of Persons:	3657	3478	3076				
<u>Family Size</u>	<u>Age Group</u>						
1	220	5	134	0-5	220	24-44	822
2	138	6	75	6-11	303	45-54	358
3	96	7	60	12-17	330	55-69	546
4	86	8+	48	18-23	269	70+	228

Areas of Service: Roseburg Households = 550 (64%)
Surrounding Areas = 307 (36%)
North = 118 South = 81 East = 8 West = 64 Homeless = 36
Misc. Information: Homeless Persons: 198 New Pantry Applications: 80
Pantry Volunteers: 80 Volunteer Hours: 695

Retail Purchases: Total \$5,501.76, 6,085lbs includes: 84 Gal Milk = \$704.32,
90 1/2 Gal Milk = \$142.20; 400lbs Hotdogs = \$593.04; 400lbs Potatoes =
\$87.60; 800lbs Cheese = \$1,392.00; and 1480lbs Ham = \$2,582.60

Wholesale Purchases: Total \$2,503.06, 3,679lbs includes Eggs 936lbs,
Chicken Chili 195lbs, Ground Chicken 175lbs, Canned Fruit 1,010lbs,
Canned Vegetables 156lbs, Shelf Stable Milk 162lbs, and Frozen Chicken 42lbs

UCAN/OFB Donations: 26,382lbs \$1,908.79

USDA (Federal Food Program): 16,906lbs

Total pantry Food Expenditures: \$9,913.61

Food Donations Direct to FISH: Total 15,827lbs includes Churches: 825lbs,
Other/Community: 1,463lbs, and The Roseburg Food Project: 13,539lbs

Total Food Purchases and Donated: 68,879lbs

Pediatric Medication Service: December 2018 Prescriptions = 4 paid for by
The FISH.

Shelter Service: During December 2018 The FISH provided 6 person nights
(3 rooms total) of emergency shelter.

Transportation Service: During December 2018 The FISH provided the
following assistance with transportation: Gas Vouchers: 10 for \$100.00.

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Thursday & Friday

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