



Food For Thought

August was a month of greatness! Our community continues to show its efforts in eliminating hunger within Douglas County. For instance, our 620 food donors and 66 neighborhood coordinators set a new August record for the Roseburg Food Project. They brought in

10,205 pounds of food!

WOW! That is the most ever donated for the month of August. Great Job Roseburg.

Let's make October a success too! Next pickup is **October 12th-13th**

The FISH pantry continues to be a huge success due to the hard work and dedication of our volunteers. Our Board of Directors rolled up their sleeves and gave the pantry a deep cleaning in August. While we do our best to keep our pantry in the best shape possible, our board pulls everything out of the pantry once a year and does an amazing scrub down. Thank you!!

We also have volunteers within our pantry that have taken on additional tasks, which have had a great impact on the FISH Pantry. Through their efforts, we have been able to establish things such as homeless kits, which we provide to clients living on the streets. These kits contain items such as can openers, laundry detergent, toilet paper, and much more. We will be providing these one time a year to eligible clients, with the ability for them to get refills quarterly. If it weren't for the extra efforts our volunteers give, things such as these would not be possible.

On one last note, I would like to send a very special and heartfelt thank you to our former Board President, John S. John gave of himself tirelessly, for fourteen years as the FISH's President. Thank you for the positive impact you have made! And welcome to our newest Board of Directors!

Warm Regards,
Kim Jasper



The FISH Board of Directors recently submitted a proposal for funding to install solar collectors on the roof of the pantry. The grant was submitted to Pacific Power's Blue Sky program and was written with the help of Sander Lazar, the Renewable Energy Coordinator at UCAN. The decision to submit a grant came after Nis Jessen, Board President, and John Sloan, Board Member and Chair of the Facilities Committee, attended the ribbon cutting ceremony for the solar installation at Saving Grace. They were impressed with the savings that Saving Grace expects to receive and began to investigate the potential for using solar collectors at the FISH Pantry.

Many people stepped up to help make the grant a reality in only a few weeks. Sander Lazar made essential contacts both locally and across the state and pulled together the required bids, the structural information about the pantry building, and the many components needed in a grant application. If funded, the addition of solar collectors is expected to save the FISH food pantry about \$2500 per year. We expect to hear in February about the success of our application.



THE FISH OF ROSEBURG SERVICE SUMMARY

The FISH Pantry was open
19 times for 38 hours during the month of August

Totals for August	2016	2017	2018
# of Families:	1035	919	934
# of Persons:	4102	3501	3511

Family Size				Age Group			
1	208	5	136	0-5	242	24-44	1013
2	139	6	84	6-11	369	45-54	376
3	129	7	85	12-17	384	55-69	565
4	97	8+	56	18-23	342	70+	220

Areas of Service: Roseburg Households = 631 (68%)
Surrounding Areas = 303 (32%)
North = 118 South = 86 East = 11 West = 58 Homeless = 30

Misc Information: Homeless Persons: 180 New Pantry Applications: 81
Pantry Volunteers: 76 Volunteer Hours: 584

Retail Purchases: Total \$2,030.46, 5,442lbs includes Milk: 456 gal = \$1,130.88,
225 1/2 Gal Milk = \$355.50; and Hotdogs: 552lbs = \$544.08

Wholesale Purchases: Total \$2,846.46, 4,570lbs includes Eggs 1,080lbs, Cereal
228lbs, Chili 65lbs, Canned Fruit 1,299lbs, Canned Vegetables 478lbs, Juice
144lbs, Canned Beans 162lbs, Flour 328lbs, Chicken Ravioli 78lbs, Shelf Stable
Milk 918lbs, and Chicken Drumsticks 546lbs

UCAN/OFB Donations: 31,200lbs \$1,625.83

USDA (Federal Food Program): 10,665lbs

Total pantry Food Expenditures: \$6,502.75

Food Donations Direct to FISH: Total 12,168lbs includes Churches: 698lbs,
Other/Community: 1,362lbs, The Roseburg Food Project: 10,066lbs, and
Grocery Outlet Food Drive: 42lbs

Total Food Purchases and Donated: 64,045lbs

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

Shelter Service: During August 2018 The FISH provided 6 person nights of
emergency shelter.

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

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