



JACQUELINE McCALLA-CORDLE CHILDREN'S FUND

STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE 2023

Changes in procedures for services were made when the occurrence of COVID regulations occurred in the Nation in 2021.

The pantry stopped having routine scheduled hours of service each week. Needs of community have been served by individual scheduled appointments set up for food distribution, receiving of scheduled food deliveries and receiving of donated goods and food. We have been able to assure clients privacy, safety of clients and volunteers and maintain operations of pantry.

Due to food shortages from Mid-Ohio Food Group, the pantry returned to buying good from Aldi, Kroger's, Walmart, Dollar Tree and other retailers. Efforts are taken to find best pricing and sales. Shelves are stocked and not allowed to be at minimal levels of food.

Volunteer hours have been reduced by not having the pantry open at set hours during the week. Volunteers are scheduled to pack client goods and shelved them for distribution on an "on call" bases.

Spring & Christmas school breaks remain the same and distribution is done by board members to assure privacy of clients. Personal care items, basic pantry supplies, and paper goods are now included with the food items during break distributions. Books, toys, puzzles ad board games are now included with Christmas distribution.

Our monthly food distribution now includes serving our seniors in the community. The seniors are referred to us from the local senior center. Those receiving meals on wheels through the center also may receive good from the pantry on the third Thursday of each month. Food is delivered by a partnership with the Milford Church of Christ. The food packages covers, breakfast, supper/dinner meal and a healthy snack.

Seniors, any size family in the Centerburg School District and the families on free and reduced meal program at school are all encouraged to receive the normal seven day food allotment every month as long as they meet Job and Family Service financial guidelines.

Our consistent weakness and challenges continues to be getting local service notifications to the local community since we no longer have local newspaper and country newspaper service are very minimal.

Now all services are sent to what newspapers we have, websites and social media notifications out on the Internet. We are listed in the County service directories and are members of the Knox County Local Food Council. We hope this will encourage client participation and the gaining of more volunteers.

Our vision and goals in the coming years is to partner with additional funders to continue to meet the needs of the community. We have been very blessed to have a very strong financial base for the pantry. We will continue to work to get our services availability out to the community and maintain and enhance the dignity of every adult and child who honor us by being a member of our family.

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