



ANNUAL REPORT FY 2013-2014

Our Mission Statement

The Urbandale Food Pantry (UFP) is a collaborative community effort to reach out to our neighbors to provide food assistance with dignity and compassion.

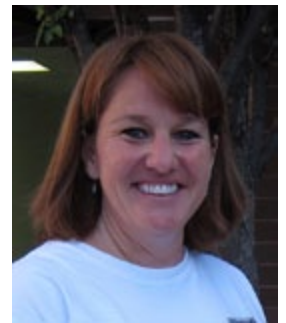
Message from the Director

The past year has been a year of growth at the Urbandale Food Pantry. We grew in the number of clients using the pantry, increased the amount of personal care items given to clients, and expanded our services by becoming a choice pantry.

A choice pantry enables clients to select their own food to meet their personal dietary needs. The advantages of becoming a choice pantry include a greater sense of dignity for clients and their families, higher satisfaction with food choices, less wasted food, and more opportunities for volunteers and clients to interact. The switch from a pre-bagged system of food delivery to becoming a client-selected system has been a great success for our clients and volunteers!

In addition to providing food and personal care items for our neighbors in need, the Urbandale Food Pantry also houses a clothing closet run by the students at the Urbandale High School and provides space for a nurse from Polk County Health Services.

I encourage anyone who is interested in seeing how the new food distribution system and other programs work at the Urbandale Food Pantry to please stop by during our hours of operation.



Sincerely, *Eileen Boggess*

By the NUMBERS at UFP from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014

378

Average number of families who received a Des Moines Area Religious Council (DMARC) food supply each month

34,081

Food items donated

147

Families who received holiday meals in Adopt-a-Family program

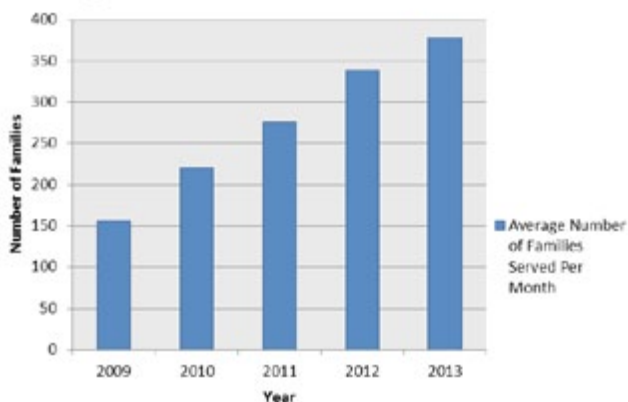
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Volunteers who work at the UFP

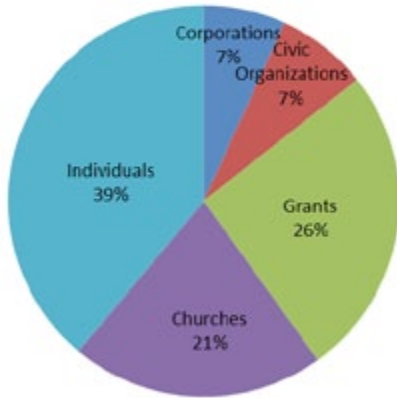
6,450

Hours volunteers worked at the UFP

Average Number of Families Served Per Month



FY 2013/2014 Donations



FY 2013/2014 Expenditures



Thank You to Our Community Donors (July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014)

Corporate Donors:

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Grants:

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City of Urbandale
City of Windsor Heights
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