

Annual Report 2018

Message from the Executive Director

When the Urbandale Food Pantry opened in 2008, very few restaurants and grocery stores donated rescued food. Thankfully, times have changed. We are now receiving food from all the local grocery store chains, fast food restaurants, and Kum & Go convenience stores. And while some of these donations were directed by corporate headquarters, many more are the result of one person seeing food waste and doing something about it. For example, an Urbandale Middle School student started rescuing lunch food from Webster Elementary that previously would've been discarded and is donating it to the Urbandale Food Pantry.

There are many ways you can help rescue food, too. You can volunteer to pick up donations from local grocery stores; donate extra food from parties or work events; grow fresh produce in a backyard garden; or reach out to grocery stores, restaurants, or any place you shop and urge them to give food to local pantries. Together, we can make a difference!



— Eíleen Boggess

UFP: BY THE NUMBERS

(January 1 to December 31, 2018)

ONE MISSION

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

2,406

28,099 Pounds of fresh produce donated from individuals, grocery stores,

Average number of individuals (894 families) that received a DMARC food supply from UFP each month 145,966 Food items donated from

individuals, grocery stores, & restaurants



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