



Bastrop County Emergency Food Pantry and Support Center Annual Report 2019

Proudly Serving Bastrop County for 30 Years

The mission of the Bastrop County Emergency Food Pantry & Support Center is to serve Bastrop County residents going through periods of transition by providing emergency food assistance, education and support.

FOOD PANTRY PROGRAMS OF 2019

Emergency Food Assistance & Fresh Foods Program

The Pantry provides 45-days of emergency food; fresh food like grains and produce; referrals; and assistance in applying for benefits under the Texas Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (“SNAP”). **The Pantry provided 2,761 individuals with 174,455 pounds of emergency food and 45,605 pounds of fresh foods in FY ‘19.**

Brown Bag Program

The Pantry provides low-income seniors with 25 lbs. of shelf-stable food every month; weekly access to produce, whole grains, and protein; assistance in filling out SNAP and Medicare Applications. We provide personal care items; transportation; physical and social activities; nutrition education opportunities. **The Pantry provided 241 seniors with 25,353 pounds of healthy food in FY ‘19**

Open Arms

The Pantry provides disabled, low-income individuals under the age of 55 with supplemental supply of nutritious food and hygiene items. **The Pantry provides 30 disabled low-income individuals with 1,242 pounds of food in FY ‘19**

The Nutrition in Backpacks before Little Ones Exit School: NIBBLES

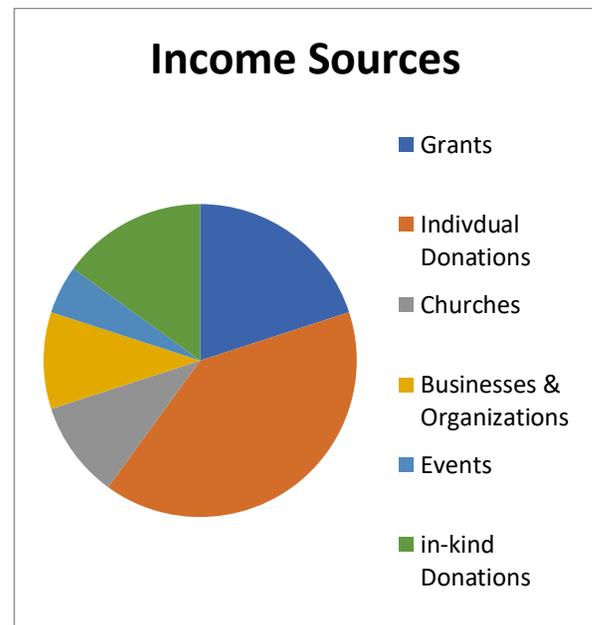
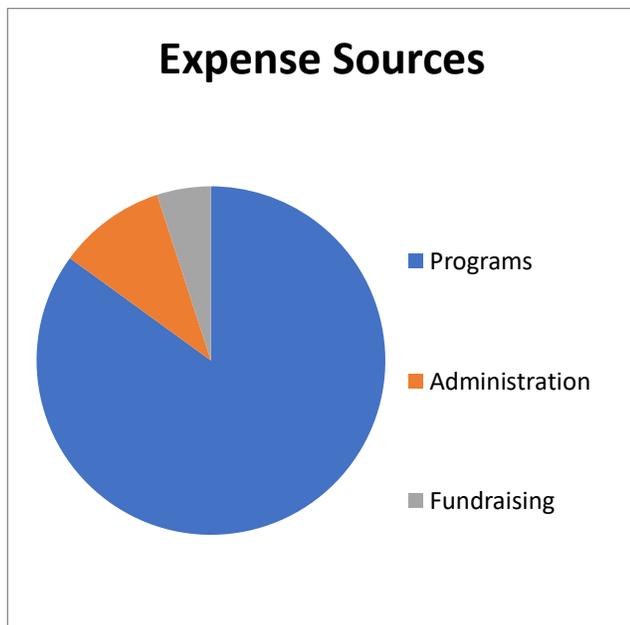
The Pantry provides 5lbs. of weekend meals and snacks during the school year for children in low income families at Lost Pines Elementary, Red Rock Elementary and Bastrop Intermediate schools. **The Pantry provided 142 children with 20,693 pounds of healthy out of school time food in FY ‘19**

3,574 clients received 334,774 pounds of food in 2019.

Success!

Mary is a 79 year-old woman who first visited the Food Pantry in August for emergency food assistance. She had recently moved to the Bastrop area and into her own residence, separate from her daughter. Because of the costs of moving and living independently she was in need of food support. Client also expressed interest in any other programs and services the Food Pantry provides. On the day of her first visit she was served with 85 pounds of food. She also was enrolled in the Brown Bag program. Since her initial visit she has come to the Fresh Food For Families, Whole Grains and Brown Bag food distributions. Within a six week period she has received ten distributions of food and is no longer in a food crisis situation. She also expressed a love a playing bingo and was enrolled in the be-monthly Senior Activities. She now enjoys regular social interaction each month. At the most recent activity she was able to meet with a State-certified Medicare Benefit Counselor from the Area Agency on Aging to get a personalized consultation about her Medicare health insurance.

FINANCIAL OUTLOOK OF 2019



Help the Pantry to continue to grow!

- ✓ Tell other's about the Pantry and the work we are doing for the community!
- ✓ Call the Pantry about volunteering.
- ✓ Consider making a gift or increasing your yearly giving this year.