

Hatboro Community Cupboard

May 9, 2025

It is with a heavy heart that I prepare this report for the food pantry. Our beloved Alan has been called home and we all miss him dearly. The pantry was so important to him and I know he would want us to continue on with our mission to serve the families suffering with food insecurity. We can never replace him but we will do our best to make him proud.

We took possession of the new freezer in April. It was a challenge getting it into the pantry and we are extremely grateful to Darren, Jared and CJ from the property committee as well as Chad from our Thursday night crew who labored for over three hours to get it into the pantry and then into the fridge/freezer room. This is a huge benefit and we cannot forget to thank our generous donor for providing the funds to make the purchase. What a welcome addition it is.

Attendance in April was up. We served 441 families which is an increase over last year. Thanks to Holy Redeemer Lutheran Church for providing more than 20 hams and Giant Foods for contributing 25 hams and 15 lasagnas for our Easter dinner distribution. These were supplemented by numerous donors that stopped by and dropped off hams as well. Due to these efforts we were able to provide 106 Easter dinners to our clients. Everyone who wanted a dinner was given a choice of ham, turkey, lasagna or duck. Yes, duck! It is a Ukrainian favorite.

After our distribution to the clients we were able to provide 14 hams to Church of the Advent for their Easter community dinner.

At the end of April we were blessed to receive Church of the Advent's food donation match consisting of 186 jars of peanut butter, 114 cans of potatoes, and 570 packages of Ramen noodle soup.

As always, we are grateful for all of the support from our pantry partner churches and the community.