### DUNEDIN CARES FOOD PANTRY



#### **ANNUAL REPORT**

## 2021



#### **GROWING FORWARD TOGETHER**

A Message from Co-Founder, President and Chairman of the Board Joseph Mackin



Thanks to our excellent partners, donors, and volunteers, Dunedin Cares Food Pantry has had another tremendous year serving our neighbors!

With health and economic factors still being unpredictable, we worked tirelessly to support Dunedin and our surrounding communities, and our most vulnerable neighbors, through genuinely unique rising needs. Despite supply shortages, unexpected housing and employment complications, intermittent quarantine arrangements, and a host of other challenges, Dunedin Cares opened more days, developed varied schedules, and learned new ways to reach those in need.

Our statistics included in our annual report echo the ongoing crisis in visiting numbers, the volume of outgoing food and personal care support, and the volunteer hours needed to oversee a rise of guest visits of 160% over the previous two years. In 2021 we added several additional outreach channels, including Mobile Pantry locations, grocery additions for Pinellas County Schools Summer Lunches (Breakspots) and Meals on Wheels 4 Kids, Neighborly shopping trips for the elderly and house-bound, and so many others.

But when difficulties occur, miracles happen. We are so grateful for our tremendous Board of Directors, volunteers, food partnerships, and financial supporters this past year. Volunteer hours increased 70% since 2019 with the exemplary leadership of our Executive Director, JoAnne Fell.

Please take a moment to review the following pages that summarize our milestones, achievements and most significant accomplishments as we celebrate another year of being neighbors helping neighbors.

With gratitude,

Joseph Mackin

#### **OUR MISSION**

Dunedin Cares Food Pantry will strive to alleviate hunger by providing food to the local community, showing kindness, respect, and compassion as neighbors help neighbors.



#### **OUR VISION**

We shall build the capacity to provide good nutritious food for all in need in Dunedin and the surrounding communities to ensure no one will go to bed hungry.



#### **OUR CORE VALUES**

**Respectability** - We shall honor our guests, our donors, and our volunteers at every opportunity.

Accountability - a) We will honor the public's trust by maintaining the highest ethics and stewardship standards. b) No one should go hungry. c) We will operate with transparency and fiscal accountability.

**Accessibility** - We will ensure all guests equitable access to our food pantry.

Service - a) We will serve others in a courteous, respectful, sensitive, non-judgmental, and compassionate manner. (b) We shall strive to increase the dignity of those we help as they are our guests.

**Faith** - We have a strong belief in God and the ability to succeed.

**Availability** - We will ensure that quality, nutritious food, and related supplies are available throughout our service area.

Advocacy - We will be the community's voice about hunger and speak out for those who do not have a voice. We will maintain and communicate information to others about food insecurity.

**Collaboration** - We will actively seek to form and broaden relationships committed to furthering our mission to relieve hunger.



#### **OUR TEAM**



Joseph Mackin serves as President and Chairman of the Board. Mr. Mackin is a co-founder of Dunedin Cares. He hails from St. Louis, MO and has called Dunedin, FL home for 20 years. He has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Business Administration.



Mike Bowman has lived in Dunedin for 53 years. He has been on the Dunedin Cares Board for 5 years and is presently Vice President. He owns an Air Conditioning company in Dunedin and has served on many Boards and Committees in the City of Dunedin.



Becky Hart serves as our Treasurer. Becky is a native of Dunedin and comes to Dunedin Cares after a 40-year professional career in healthcare. She worked the latter part of career at PwC (formerly Pricewaterhouse Coopers) where she retired as a partner in 2016. Becky graduated from University of Florida with a B.S. in Journalism and Emory University with a B.S. in Health Record Administration.



Kristina Garcia serves as our Secretary. Kristina became a director in December 2019 after first volunteering for Dunedin Cares. She had the pleasure of assisting many wonderful guests during her tenure. "I truly appreciate the food pantry and consider it a gift to serve on our board." Kristina is a Sales Manager for Tampa Bay Beacon publications.



Teresa Williams has served as a Director since December 2019. Teresa has lived in Clearwater for 30 years. Teresa received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Eckerd College in 1991. Teresa received her Juris Doctor from Stetson Law School and attained her license and has been practicing law in the state of Florida ever since 1996.

#### **OUR TEAM**



Heath Watson was a pastor in the local area for 25 years, and delightful Dunedin has been his home since childhood. Currently, he stays busy as a wedding officiant and corporate event producer. In addition to his role at Dunedin Cares, he oversees another local non-profit, The Dunedin Give Back.



Teri Davis-Scully joined the board as a director in 2021. Originally from NY, Dunedin has been Terri's home for 21 years. She owns Huntington Learning Center in Palm Harbor and is a Partner in Clearlight Insurance Services with her husband, Vinny Scully. Terri also services the Board of Directors at Academie da Vinci Charter School, Dunedin Chamber Foundation and Palm Harbor Chamber Foundation.



JoAnne Fell joined Dunedin Cares in March 2019 and was appointed Executive Director in March 2020. JoAnne and her husband, Barry moved to Dunedin in September 2018 from Bethlehem, PA. JoAnne has an AS, Computer Information Systems and an AAS, Paralegal degrees. JoAnne has made volunteering a priority over the last 20+ years and is so happy to be part of the Dunedin Cares family.



Kyle was born and raised in St. Petersburg, Florida, but moved to Colorado after being Honorably discharged from the Marine Corps in 2014. After earning his Bachelor's degree in Sustainability Studies, Kyle moved back to Florida with his wife, Sarah. Shortly after, Kyle was hired as Operations Coordinator at Dunedin Cares in 2021.



Julianne DiBlasi / Kraken Sky.com oversees our design, social media, and marketing. She has been a creative professional for 20+ years and is a published author and artist, a freelance designer for multiple F500 clients, and teaches 100k+ online design students worldwide.

#### COMMUNITY CARE



#### CHOICE SHOPPING

The basic premise of the client choice food pantry model is just that allowing people seeking food assistance to choose for themselves what products they receive. Our pantry resembles a small grocery store. Our volunteers assist our quests with products arrayed on shelves and in coolers/freezers, from which clients can fill shopping bags. After shopping, our guests are escorted to their vehicles by our valets.

#### Here's what our guests say about us. $\rightarrow$ $\rightarrow$ $\rightarrow$





"Amazing. First time I was able to go in and "shop." Wonderful selection. Able to pick things that my family likes, so no waste. The volunteers were so friendly & helpful."

#### NEIGHBORLY

Our food pantry continues to partner with Neighborly, a Meals on Wheels company, by getting nutritional groceries to the senior citizens of our community. Neighborly delivers prepared meals and we contribute healthy grocery items.



Our pantry distributed 370 grocery bags of nutritional foods to make 310 meals to our local senior citizens that participate in the meals on wheels program.

#### COMMUNITY CARE

#### MOW4KIDS

Our pantry partners with Network for Good who delivers groceries to homebound children in our local community.

In 2021, we delivered 460 boxes of snacks and protein to Network for Good which provided 6,900 meals for our local kids.



#### **COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

- Dunedin Cares Food Pantry also partners with other local food pantries sharing produce, peanut butter, and jelly to make sure nothing goes to waste.
- We distribute boxes of food to local churches and thrift stores.
- A new outreach has commenced to provide groceries to a local food insecure pocket.
- Provide tours of the pantry to elementary, middle, and high school students as well as supporting National Honor Society youth volunteer credits



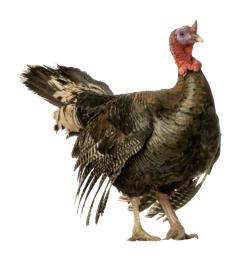
#### ANNUAL COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVES

#### PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY DRIVE



63038 Total Points
(1 Point = 1 Pound or \$1)
75% increase over 2020

#### TURKEY DRIVE



51173 Total Points
(1 Point = 1 Pound or \$1)

#### **HOLIDAY FOOD & TOY DRIVE**



157 Families Helped416 Children Supported1673 Total Gifts Given

#### **2021 COMMUNITY IMPACT**



Pounds of food & household goods



providing 286,818 Meals



2021 Food distribution increase

38% from 2020

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108% from 2019

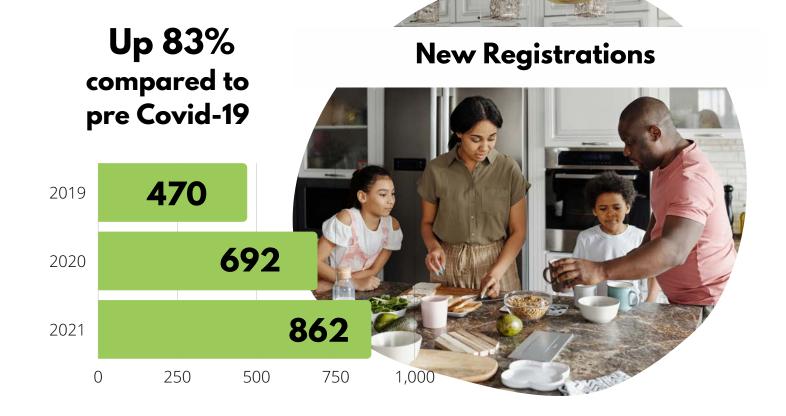
#### **2021 COMMUNITY IMPACT**



7,348

19,492
Family members served

50 lbs of groceries per visit





Schools 8% Purchases 15%

Churches 11%

Civic 3%

Non Profits 3%

380,000 lbs Corporate 19%

Individuals 27%

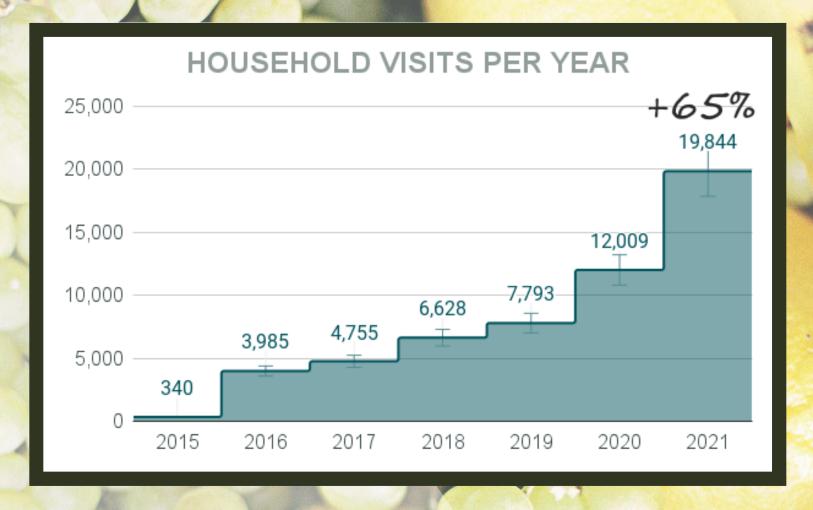
Food Banks 9%

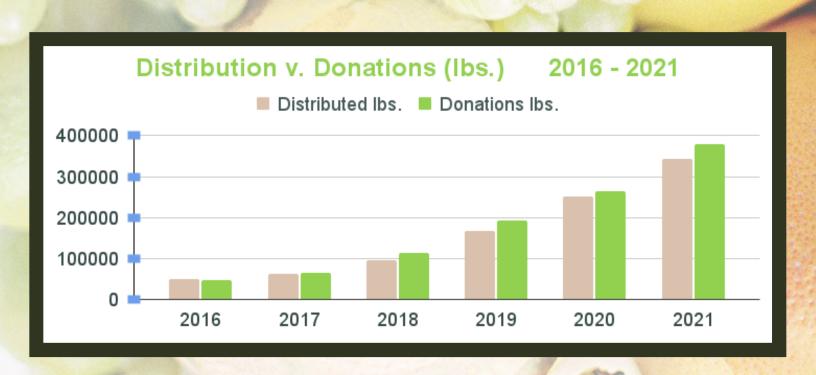
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#### **2021 COMMUNITY IMPACT**



#### HISTORICAL DATA





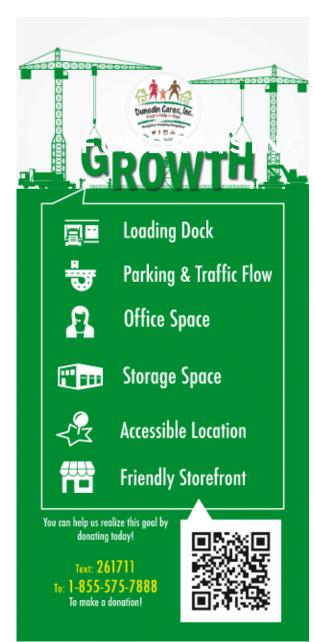


# 2021 Financial Impact

The Financial Impact information above describes the many ways in which you, our supporters, serve the community with your partnership with Dunedin Cares, Inc. Increased guest visits of 160% pre-COVID to the present requires more food storage and distribution space. Due to this growth, we hired our first part-time employee in 2021 to assist in daily operations to meet our mission.

As a volunteer organization, expenses have historically remained low due to our location on a church property. We currently do not have any brick-and-mortar expense due to Faith Lutheran Church's generosity in allowing us to locate our modular building on their property. We have outgrown our facility and will be looking to relocate in 2022/2023.

To request additional financial documents, please contact Becky Hart at treasurer@dunedincares.org.



#### DUNEDIN CARES GROWTH

#### GOAL 1

Raise \$50,000.

Our first ever fundraising event, Bootlegger's Ball, a Roaring 20's Gala is scheduled for January 22, 2022. Funds will be used to supplement a down payment to purchase land or a new building.

#### GOAL 2

#### Relocate to a larger facility.

Our current building no longer meets the need to accommodate our guests and to house perishable and nonperishable food inventory.





St. Pete Free Clinic
Tampa Bay Harvest
Publix Granda Plaza
City of Dunedin
BayCare Heath System
Teresa P. Williams
Clearwater Foundation for Tomorrow



Dunedin Church Community
First Presbyterian, St. Andrews, Good Shepherd, Faith Lutheran,
Faith UCC, First United Methodist & Union Station SDB
The Rotary Club, Rotary of Dunedin North, Rotary of Dunedin Waterside
Outback Bowl

Rickard Family Foundation

Dana Beck Fancher Foundation

Schools - Garrison Jones, San Jose, Dunedin NJROTC













#### **NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS**

Dunedin Cares' survival and outreach are perpetually dependent on the generosity of government, corporate and individual supporters.

Our commitment to the health and wellbeing of our neighbors is a direct reflection of the energy, respect, and compassion of our community as a whole.

Please help us to continue our work providing self-respect and nutrition to our most vulnerable citizens by donating and partnering today.



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