Fall 2023 Newsletter

The Bloomsburg Food Cupboard





Beautiful medals for winners!!



Todd Cummings provided music throughout the race and early evening. We ended with a very fun Trivia Night by Quizmaster Kate with lots of questions about the Food Cupboard. We were very grateful to be dry in the barn at the Farm in Bloom.



A FIRST TIME SUCCESS

On July 12, 2023, the Bloomsburg Food Cupboard held our first 5K Run/ Walk & Festival event at the Farm in Bloom. Rain threatened the whole evening, but waited until the end of the race to cause any problems!

Thanks to our 118 runners, donations, and sponsorships, we were able to realize a profit of just over \$4000!

The top 3 runners in 16 age categories were awarded medals that were handcrafted by our own Mary Pritchard and several helpers.

Sponsor List

Farm in Bloom
Dyco, Inc
First Keystone Community Bank
Bloomsburg University

Vendor List

Fourth Taco Boob's BBQ and Catering Neighbor Lady Vino Project Pizza Gina's Scoops Turkey Hill

Donor List

Aramark of Bloomsburg University Independence Honda Mary Pritchard- The Muddy Kiwi Turkey Hill Brewing

Prize List

Bloomin Bagels Brewskis Coffee and Bar First Columbia Bank Marley's Root 11 Steph's Subs

Planning has already begun to make next year's event even bigger and better. If you'd like to join the planning committee, please contact us!

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Improving Service

We have made some significant improvements in the last few months in serving our families.

New Porch

We also have a new porch thanks to a generous contributor. It keeps food dry and cool with its ceiling fans. It keeps most of the volunteers cool and dry also.



Line-Up Adjustment

We are providing more efficient service to our families by changing our line-up procedures on Tuesdays. We have divided the alphabet into 2 groups by last name and provide each group with a pick-up time. This new procedure has helped alleviate parking lot & street parking crowding during distribution times.

New Digital Record System

We have implemented a new digital recording system for clients and distribution so we can more accurately help them and report how your generous giving is helping our community. Since January, with generous donations of food and money, we have provided 2,781 people with \$669,177 worth of food!

Contact Info
Please update your contact info at
so we can keep in touch!
https://tinyurl.com/BFCupdate



In October, 275 families were able to choose fresh produce, donated and purchased each week.

Online Presence:

You can keep up with the Food Cupboard on our website, Facebook, and Instagram.

You can contact us at bloomsburgfoodcupboard@gmail.com

How It's Going...

We ended last year with 265
Panther Packs for elementary
students in the Bloomsburg
Area School District ad St.
Columba School. This year we
are starting with 239. We take
this as an indicator that the
students and their families like
our bags! We are looking at the
feasibility of expanding our
program to middle school and
high school students.



6,238.84 pounds of food were collected in May from 17815 postal customers and university students. Thanks to all our helpers.

New Panther Pack Storage

Thanks to a generous memorial donation, we were able to purchase new dynamic shelving and tables to help facilitate Panther Pack distribution!

Raise the Region

Thanks to all who made our first participation in Raise the Region a success! Look for us again in 2024.



Help Support the Food Cupboard:

Volunteer sign-up through Sign-up Genius and Giving Options through DonorBox and other options can be found on our website:

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