



Newsletter

Winter 2017-2018

FOOD BANK FUNDING DECLINES AS THE NEED INCREASES

We thank you for your support over the years, **but we need your help now more than ever.** Funding sources that previously kept us afloat are shrinking, and we may lose an additional \$10,000 if the Community Development Block Grant is not renewed by the federal government. And while our funding sources are declining, the number of people needing our services is growing— now over 1,050 people each month.

“I am a single working mom. Not sure how we would make it without food from the local Food Bank. Thanks!”

The SCFB is one of the best places for you to donate. The money stays in the community, multiplying its benefits several times over. We monitor all expenditures carefully, striving to get the most for each dollar while providing the nutritious food our clients deserve. Please consider a generous year-end donation to the South Corvallis Food Bank. **We really need your support!**

“The Food Bank means the difference if I eat or not. Rent and bills eat up my Social Security money. Please continue to help me and others.”

WHO USES THE SOUTH CORVALLIS FOOD BANK?

South Corvallis residents who meet the low-income requirements, including the elderly, infirm, homeless, single parents, and the working poor.

HOW OFTEN CAN THEY ACCESS THE SCFB?

Once a month for full access, and once a week for extra produce or other food.

HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE SERVED BY THE SCFB?

Over 325 households, or 1,050 people each month, **40% of them children.**

“We live on my husband’s Social Security check. The Food Bank helps a lot because much of our money goes for rent.”

Fact: One-third of the renters in Corvallis spend over half their income just on rent.



Volunteer Tom Cook showing some of our donated produce.

** THANK-YOU CORNER **

THESE ARE A FEW OF THE ORGANIZATIONS SUPPORTING THE SCFB. WE WILL LIST MORE IN FUTURE NEWSLETTERS.

NEW MORNING BAKERY CORVALLIS FRIENDS
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PRODUCE FOR THE PEOPLE— A COMMUNITY EFFORT

EVERY MONDAY Master Gardener Sue Domingues brings boxes of fresh produce to the South Corvallis Food Bank— squash, tomatoes, potatoes, melons, and more. The source is a 13,000 square foot garden on the grounds of Christ Church, cultivated by a small group known as Produce for the People. Six to eight regulars, occasionally supplemented by other groups, start seeds early and grow food year-round outdoors and in their hoop house. “Much of what we get is donated: seeds, starts, manure, etc.” says Sue. “Everything else comes from grants.”



The garden began in 2011 as an OSU research project, teaching gardening to low-income kids. Some of the youth in the original project still volunteer today. Each year the organization donates over 4,000 pounds of food to places such as the SCFB, the OSU Food Pantry, and Community Outreach.

For more information about Produce for the People, you can email sue_domingues@hotmail.com.

HOW YOU CAN HELP THE FOOD BANK

⇒ VOLUNTEER!

See website for more details

⇒ DONATE

Money, canned and packaged food, dish soap, toothpaste, children's books

⇒ KNIT

Caps for babies, children, and adults

⇒ BRING

Extra garden or orchard produce to the SCFB (during open hours only, please)

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Thank you for donating now to help others in need!



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