Perry Area emergency Food Council Volunteer Coordinator 2024 Annual Report

- More than **60 volunteers** served the Pantry in some capacity in 2024.
- **50 volunteers** actively participated in some capacity **monthly**.
- In 2024 we had **101 Pantry Shifts** and were **closed 4 shifts** due to holidays.
- Each shift consists of 7 volunteers and additional volunteers were added from July to December to accommodate needs. This included translators and a 4th store volunteer usually on Thursdays.
- 3 volunteers **delivered bread from Hyvee** on Tuesday and Wednesday and 3 volunteers picked up **Kwik Star** donations twice a week.
- There are 3 volunteers who **restocked the shelves** and recycled cardboard. An additional stocker helped from October thru December..
- 1 volunteer entered Pantry Use Data and 1 volunteer did the Food Bank of Iowa monthly report.
- 1 volunteer provided maintenance as needed.
- Various volunteers have helped unload the bimonthly deliveries from the Food Bank of lowa. 1 volunteer organized each delivery. Several volunteers have made an additional trip to Des Moines to pick up an extra Food Bank Order or food from Aldi, Target or Dollar Tree.
- 10 volunteers served as Board Members.
- Several volunteers helped **repackage diapers and feminine products**. St. Martin's confirmation class **package our candy bags** for Christmas.
- 1 volunteer keeps our **website updated.**
- 1 volunteer is **Inventory Control Administrator**. This position started in April.
- Store volunteers did the annual **Civil rights training** in July and many active volunteers attended a **volunteer appreciation coffee** at Perry Perk during the summer.
- A volunteer paid for a professional cleaning crew to do deep cleaning at pantry.
- Perry Library supplies our mobile bookshelves with help from our community friends.
- All volunteers took time as needed to **sweep and clean** the pantry.
- Several volunteers take home donated **grocery bags and flatten** for store use.
- **7 Americorps** members came to our rescue mid July and added additional help with translating, repackaging and store help each shift. This group was a lifesaver for us during a time when many of our volunteers were on vacation and we were transitioning to a much larger customer number each shift.
- Two volunteers set up a **Christmas tree display** at the Festival of Lights at Carnegie.
- An Advent Calendar for food collection was distributed thru our churches.
- And many, many community supporters provided financial and food assistance on a regular basis. Gracias and Thank you.
- And all tolerated the Pantry Site Manager and Volunteer Coordinator as best they could. Thanks.

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ESTIMATED STATISTICS ON VOLUNTEER HOURS PER YEAR:

Pantry Direct Service to Customers (101 shifts)	2,192
Weekly Pick up Bread/Hyvee and food donations/ Kwik trip	208
Unloading Food Bank semi and special deliveries	200
Pantry Restocking	200
Pantry Data entry/Food Bank report	130
Volunteer Coordinator	400
Site Manager	900
Pantry Board Treasurer	75
Board Members (6 meetings)	180
Inventory Control Administrator	100
Miscellaneous Hours/maintenance/deep cleaning/repackaging	90
APPROXIMATE TOTAL HOURS OF DEDICATED SERVICE	4,675
@ \$12.00 per hour = \$56,000	

FUTURE PERSPECTIVE: The Volunteer Coordinator will be retiring in 2025. We will continue recruiting bilingual store volunteers. ***Thanks for your individual contributions to the Perry Food Pantry. Lois Hoger, Volunteer Coordinator