

Food for Thought

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Leading Siouxland in the fight against hunger.

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Dear Friends,

What a difference a year makes! This time in 2020, the Food Bank Staff and I expected a 15% increase in pounds distributed in collaboration with the network of agencies we serve over 2020. This increase would have equated to 300,000 pounds. Well, it ended up being a 40% increase at just over 1,000,000 pounds. These pounds represent over 833,000 meals for Siouxlanders from Denison to Inwood; from Hull to Oakland. Without donors like you, the Food Bank of Siouxland staff could not continue to provide the food distribution service it does. I am so awestruck at the generosity of each donation and each donor. Siouxlanders stepped up to help their neighbors, and for that we thank you!

Many of our agency partners reported seeing new clients in 2020. These clients had never visited a food pantry and were unsure of how food pantries worked. Agencies pivoted to help those clients by changing distribution methods and/or expanding hours to serve these families. Outside drive-through models replaced indoor shopping for many agencies. Volunteers stepped in to help distribute frozen protein in the parking lots of the YMCA in South Sioux City and outside of Mercy Field. These innovations were key in meeting our community's needs.

While the vaccine is being distributed, the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic will remain through 2021. Eventually, people will feel comfortable visiting restaurants and hotels again, which will reestablish jobs that had been lost. Home building, including single family houses, townhouses, and apartments, remains strong. Planting and calving season will start as soon as fields begin to dry out. These visible signs of recovery hide the effects on individuals and families. If a household experiences even one case of a family member with COVID-19, the lost wages take time to recover. Even with stimulus checks,

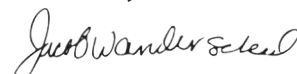
food prices have remained high due to production disruptions (factory shutdowns due to outbreaks, reduced hours due to social distancing, etc.). Once a person gets behind on a bill or two, it takes time and hard work to get back ahead.

That's where the Food Bank of Siouxland comes in. We have the ability to find and store food. The agencies working with the Food Bank have the models to distribute food effectively and efficiently. In food deserts, the Food Bank has unique distribution models like the Backpack Program, which provides school children weekend food sacks. At other schools, the Food Bank supplies family oriented food boxes for children and their whole family. The Food Bank also delivers food directly for immediate distribution in other areas through our Mobile Pantry Program. This is where you come in: Keeping the hamburger meat frozen costs money. Transporting the food to Denison costs money. Operating a server for agencies' accounts costs money. The Siouxland community is going through a very hard period of time.

We can see the goal, but until we end hunger, the mission of the Food Bank continues. Your monthly and yearly donations keep our programs running.

I cannot thank you enough for what you have helped us do so far; let's continue leading Siouxland in the fight against hunger!

Gratefully,


Jacob Wanderscheid
Executive Director

Fiscal Year 2020 Accomplishments



A Network of Food Donors

Hundreds of retailers, manufacturers, and farmers contributed to a total of **3,831,617 pounds of food** received in 2020.

SOURCES OF FOOD (IN POUNDS) FY 2020

Local Donations*	1,729,550	45%
Purchase Price	857,201	22%
Iowa Commodities	1,060,684	28%
Nebraska Commodities	184,182	5%
Total	3,831,617	100%

*Local donations include individual donors, food drives, retail store donations, and corporate donations

A Network of Volunteers

A total of **5,584 hours** of service provided by hundreds of volunteers

- 3,522 hours helping in the warehouse and office
- 2,062 hours assembling food sacks for the Backpack Program: *Food for Kids*

1,087,894 pounds of food distributed across Siouxland via the Mobile Pantry Program: *Food to You*

- Served 21,448 households
- Served 71,195 individuals

62,525 pounds of food distributed across Siouxland via the Mobile School Pantry Program: *Food for Families*

- Served 1,121 households
- Served 4,991 individuals

61,454 food sacks distributed to students in ten area schools through the Backpack Program: *Food for Kids*





A Network of Agencies & Direct Service Programs

AGENCIES BY TYPE

Emergency Food Pantries	62
Soup Kitchens	2
Emergency Shelters	1
Residential	8
Day Care	3
Senior	9
Rehabilitation	10
Youth Programs	4
Multi-Service	7
Total	106

** excludes Backpack Program*

A network that distributed over **3.6 million pounds of food** in 2020 serving **95,475 families**; representing **336,072 individuals** in need, including **131,086 children**.

TOP 5 CATEGORIES OF FOOD DISTRIBUTED

- **988,690** pounds of meat
- **502,349** pounds of fresh produce
- **273,146** pounds of protein (non-meat, i.e. peanut butter, beans, etc.)
- **271,066** pounds of canned vegetables
- **267,647** pounds of canned fruit



Annual Report

Fiscal Year 2020

10/1/2019 - 9/30/2020

Statement of Financial Position

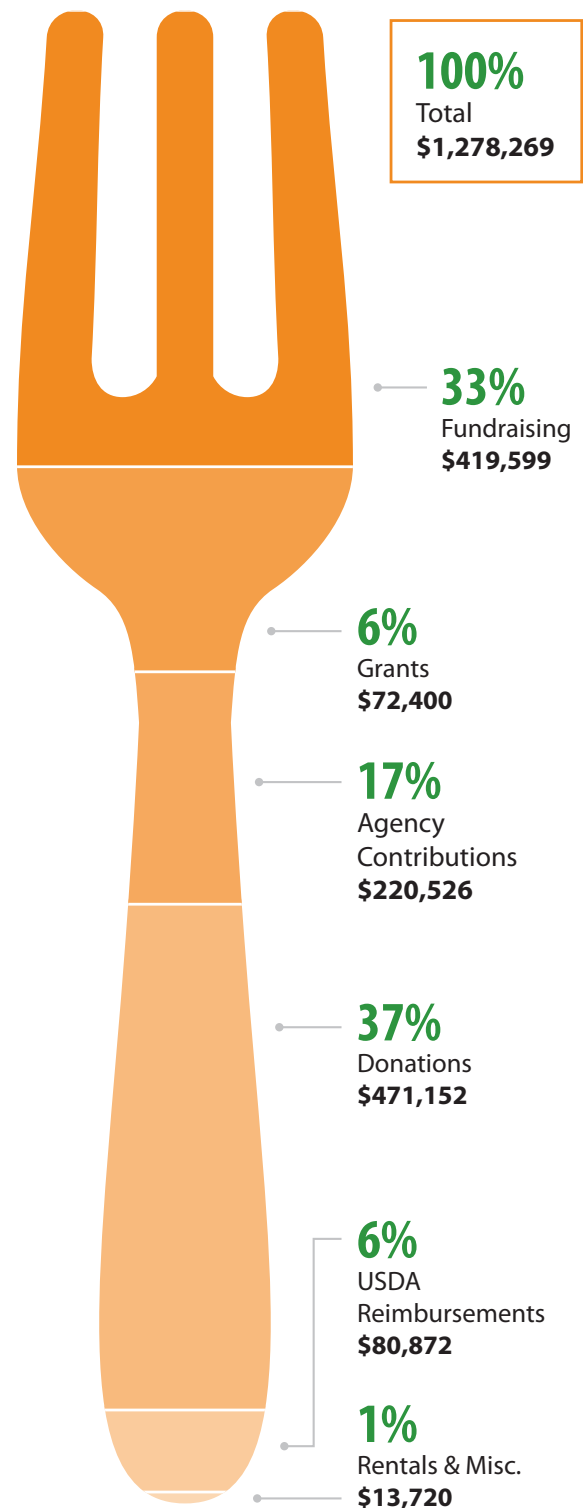
ASSETS

	2020	2019
Current Assets		
Cash	\$1,353,760	\$369,308
Receivables	\$20,116	\$40,064
Prepaid Expense	\$5,771	\$4,610
Product Inventory	\$661,386	\$638,931
	\$2,041,033	\$1,052,913
Property and Equipment		
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(\$769,291)	(\$707,984)
	\$753,049	\$751,842
Investments	\$45,148	\$41,333
Total Assets	\$2,839,230	\$1,866,218

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

	2020	2019
Current Liabilities	\$16,677	\$55,942
Long Term Liabilities		
Net Assets		
Unrestricted	\$1,599,893	\$1,617,912
Temporarily Restricted	\$199,582	\$1,799,476
	\$1,799,475	\$3,417,388
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$2,839,230	\$1,866,218

Sources of Income



Empty Bowls Recap

For 17 years, the Food Bank of Siouxland's annual fundraiser and hunger awareness event, Empty Bowls, has been a staple in the community. We never would have guessed on February 7, 2020 we would be making dramatic changes to the 2021 event. This year, we decided to do something that would not only be safe, but also demonstrate what the Food Bank of Siouxland contributes and how it's possible to use the food that is given out in a typical box. With the help of so many in the community, we presented the Empty Bowls 2021 Mystery Basket Cooking Competition and Silent Auction on Friday, February 5, 2021 via our website and our Facebook page. We know that many of you look forward to the annual Empty Bowls event, and we hope this revamped event brought the same joy experienced at the in-person event to your home!

Our friends at Seaboard Triumph Foods joined us again this year as our Presenting Sponsor. They went above and beyond the sponsorship and provided an absolutely delicious ingredient for our mystery baskets, a contestant for the event, and a wonderful testimonial from their CEO and one of the event judges, Tim Walls. KTIV was kind enough to work as our Media Sponsor and promoted the event in its new format. Al Joens brought his game show "A-game" to the event. His banter with the contestants brought such wonderful lightness and fun to the program. WITCC's incredible Culinary Arts kitchen was the perfect stage for our contestants. Chefs Brett McCarthy and Mike Gasaway were the most generous and welcoming hosts, and students from WITCC's Culinary Arts program assisted our competitors with the commercial grade equipment. Anderson Brothers Printing provided their lovely printing services again for this year's postcards, and KES Productions made sure that filming, production, and streaming was taken care of.

Our contestants were Candace Nash from Powell Broadcasting and Karl Treiber from Seaboard Triumph Foods. Candace and Karl were given 90 minutes to prepare a meal for our three judges following the unveiling of their food baskets and the required mystery ingredient. The baskets included items found in the boxes distributed from the Food Bank of Siouxland's agency partners, and they were also able to use ingredients typically found in a kitchen, including cooking oils, spices, and other basics. The baskets given to the contestants included chicken leg quarters, peanut butter, macaroni and cheese, pancake mix, fruits, vegetables, and more! The catch was that the "mystery ingredient" was required for their meals. Our friends at Koated Kernels supplied the mystery ingredient that had to be incorporated in the contestants meal with the option to choose from three flavors of their delicious popcorn.

Want to know how the contestants used their ingredients and who won the competition? Visit our Facebook page ([Facebook.com/FoodBankSiouxland](https://www.facebook.com/FoodBankSiouxland)) to watch the full competition and see who was crowned the Empty Bowls Mystery Basket Cooking Competition Champion 2021!

THANK YOU TO OUR EMPTY BOWLS SPONSORS!

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Diane Schoenrock
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Siouxland Dairy Queens
Southdale Garden Center
Joe and Diana Twidwell
Jacob and Betsey Wanderscheid
The Warrior Hotel
Les and Charity Wilt



Spotlight Employee of the Month

Nick Todd has been named the Food Bank of Siouxland's Spotlight Employee of the Month! Nick is one of our friendly truck drivers and is known around the office for being someone you can depend on.

Here are some fun facts about Nick to help you get to know him better: Nick and his wife were married on South Padre Island. When asked if he could learn anything, Nick said he would choose to learn to flip houses so he could own a beach house and rent it out. We asked him where his favorite place to be is and Nick answered Disney and Legoland in California. Of all the chores around the house, Nick hates cleaning the bathroom the most. The last question we asked was what is something he learned in the last week and he said, "No matter how hard life gets you, do what you have to do to get through." Thank you, Nick, for being an awesome member of the Food Bank of Siouxland team!

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Board Member Spotlight: *Matt Campbell*

Meet past Board President, Matt Campbell. Matt was born and raised in Sioux City, IA. After graduating from Bishop Heelan High School in 1994, he attended Morningside College and graduated with his Bachelor's degree in 1998. Matt furthered his education attending the University of South Dakota, graduating in 2002 with his Master of Business Administration degree. Matt has worked in banking since 1998 and has been with Central Bank of Sioux City for the last 6 ½ years as Vice President and Commercial Loan Officer.



Matt has served on our board since 2016 and has held both the Treasurer and President positions. He frequently supervises our volunteer groups that support the **BackPack Program: Food for Kids**, and has recruited many volunteer groups to help pack sacks of food for this program. Matt and his family have greatly helped the **BackPack Program** carry out its mission and have assisted with many other events held by the Food Bank of Siouxland.

Matt has been married to the love of his life, Stacey, for 20+ years, and together they have 3 children: Ryan, 17, a junior at East High School; Luke, 15, a freshman at East High School; and Evan, 11, in 5th grade at Sunnyside Elementary School. He enjoys spending time with his family through attending track and cross country meets, coaching basketball, and watching his boys play multiple sports. In his spare time, Matt enjoys watching the Morningside University Mustangs, and he is a die-hard Iowa Hawkeyes fan! You can also find him on the golf course, riding his bike, or working out at the gym.

"I love being a part of the Food Bank of Siouxland. We have an amazing team of staff members, board members, volunteers, and donors. It is an incredible mission that is truly making a difference in the lives of Siouxlanders."

– Matt Campbell

Save the Dates

Modern Woodmen Matching Funds

Monday, April 26 – Sunday, May 2, 2021

Modern Woodmen of America have graciously decided to match funds up to a total of \$7,500 that are donated to the Food Bank of Siouxland's BackPack Program: *Food for Kids* during the week of April 26 to May 2. To ensure your donation is matched, be sure write "Modern Woodmen" in the memo line of your check or for online donations, write "Modern Woodmen" in the "In honor of" section of the donation form or use the upcoming link on our website or Facebook page.

18th Annual "Will Golf for Food" Charity Golf Outing

Monday, August 2, 2021

Whispering Creek Golf Club

Join us for a fun day of 18 holes of golf (cart included) followed by dinner, prizes, mini contests, and more! Shotgun-style play will start at noon! Contact Valerie at 712-255-9741 or valerie@siouxlandfoodbank.org to learn more, register or create your team, become a sponsor, and/or donate prizes! This in-person event is planned, but the event is subject to change.