

Pantry Statistics

Upcoming Events:

May 14	Nat'l Assn of Letter Carriers Food Drive	<i>Households Served</i>
May 24	Evening Hours 6-7 pm	<i>Client Visits</i>
May 28	Bowie Memorial Day Parade 11 am	<i>New Client Households</i>
	Grace Lutheran Church Food Drive at Freestate Giant 9 am-1 pm	<i>Children Under Age of 18</i>
		<i>Bags of Groceries</i>
May 30	Memorial Day Pantry CLOSED	<i>Value of Food Distributed</i>
June 4	BowieFest 11 am-6 pm	<i>Percent to City of Bowie Residents</i>
June 5	Bowie Farmers Market 8 am-12 noon (Every Sunday)	<i>Percent to "Bowie Area" Residents</i>
June 14, June 28	Evening Hours 6-7 pm	

April 2016	March 2016	April 2015
309	296	289
394	376	355
31	13	18
291	259	273
802	774	824
\$29,770	\$28,045	—
45%	47%	41%
17%	19%	22%

Annual Volunteer Luncheon

Each year the Executive Board holds a luncheon to thank our volunteers. The Board thanks our host Grace Lutheran Church for providing us with a beautiful space and our sponsor Widmann Financial Services for a delicious lunch. At the luncheon, the following year end statistics were shared:

Number of registered households that visited the pantry in 2015: 791

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
# of Client visits	4,638	3,636
# of totes of food distributed	10,571	9,691
# of new client households	336	324
# of volunteer hours	7063	5317

Our volunteer ranks have grown to 113! Each and every volunteer provides a vital service to the pantry, and we cannot thank them enough for their hard work and compassion.

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Food Drives

A special thank you to the following who donated food, money, or other items to the Pantry in late March, April and early May:

- ADIO Chiropractic
- All Saints Lutheran Church
- American Legion Auxiliary Unit 66
- Apostolic Breakthrough Ministries
- Ascension Catholic Church
- Ascension Catholic Church - St. Vincent DePaul
- Belair Cooperative Nursery
- Berwyn Rod and Gun Club
- Bowie Arts Committee
- Bowie Center for the Performing Arts
- Bowie Church of Christ
- Bowie Community Theatre
- Bowie High School - PTSO
- Bowie High School Swim Team
- Bowie Interfaith Recreation Council
- Bowie Recreation Council
- Bowie Spring 5K Race/2 Mile Walk
- Boy Scout Troop 1688
- Cresthill Baptist Church
- Curves of Glenn Dale
- Daisy Troop 00918
- Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. PGCAC
- DPI Specialty Foods
- Ebenezer United Methodist Church
- Finally Fit Bootcamp
- Freeman
- Gamma Tau
- Girl Scout Troop 570
- Girl Scout Troop 2044
- Girl Scout Troop 2370
- Girl Scout Troop 6089
- Goodloe Memorial Unitarian Universalist Congregation
- Grace Baptist Church
- Grace Lutheran Church
- Greater Bowie Chamber of Commerce
- Greater Mount Nebo Church
- Greater Suburban Maryland Group
- Holy Trinity Episcopal Church
- Joy of Worship Ministries
- Kaiser Permanente
- Kenilworth Elementary School
- Macy's Bowie Town Center - Bag Hunger Program
- M-NCPPC, Department of Parks and Recreation
- M-NCPPC, Senior Services Unit
- Melvin Motors
- Microsoft Matching Gifts Program
- Mount Oak United Methodist Church
- Northridge Community
- Prince George's County Planning Dept. - M-NCPPC
- Reformed Presbyterian Church of Bowie
- Richard's Hundred Organic Farm
- St. Barnabas Episcopal Church
- St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Church
- St. Matthew's Early Childhood Center - Kindergarten
- St. Matthew's United Methodist Church
- Southern Comforters Quilt Guild
- State Farm Insurance - Angela Yancey
- Temple Solel & The Charlie Hochman Fund
- Turn on the Light Bowie
- Trinity Lutheran Church
- Unity Center of Light
- United Parish of Bowie
- Village Baptist Church
- Weichert Realtors
- Widmann Financial Services
- Xi Alpha Phi Chapter of Sigma Beta Phi

Non-Profit Status

The Bowie Interfaith Pantry and Emergency Aid Fund is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. 95% of pantry donations go directly to assist clients. Tax receipts are available for all donations.

Bowie Farmers Market

Every Sunday beginning June 5, the Pantry will have a booth at the market. Volunteers are needed each week:

Shift 1: 8:00-10:00 a.m. includes set up

Shift 2: 10:00 a.m.—12:00 noon includes break down and delivery of food to the Pantry

Last year's market was very successful - we brought back thousands of pounds of vegetables, fruit, and bread for our families! Special thanks to Matt Corley, Jim Unger, and the City of Bowie for coordinating this effort with the Pantry. Please contact the Pantry if you can volunteer.

Memorial Day Parade

Pantry volunteers will be marching in this year's annual Bowie Memorial Day Parade scheduled for Saturday, May 28. Volunteers will be collecting canned/dry goods along the parade route. Hope to see you at the Parade!

Easter Bunny visits Pantry

A very special thank you to the groups and individuals who made Easter Baskets for our children. The baskets were BEAUTIFUL; our moms and dads, and of course those children, were most grateful for your generosity.

South Bowie MOMs Club

Bowie State University-Golden Key International
Honour Society

BowieFest—June 4

Volunteers will collect canned/dry goods as well as monetary donations throughout the day. Be sure to stop by one of our two locations - Bowie Community Outreach Committee tent or in the lobby of the ice arena!

35th Annual Bowie Spring 5K Race/2-Mile Walk

On Saturday, March 26, runners and walkers gathered at the Bowie Town Center to support the Pantry. The race raised an amazing \$4,700! Participants also donated several bags of food. The Pantry would like to thank all those who coordinated and participated in the race. We thank the event sponsors for their continued and generous support of the Pantry:

Bowie Recreation Council
Widmann Financial Services
Angela Yancey - State Farm Insurance
Finally Fit! Boot Camp
Melvin Motors
M -NCPPC
Bowie Town Center

Traveling this Summer?

Don't forget - the Pantry accepts travel size shampoo, conditioner, soap, lotion, etc. in addition to regular size personal care items. Please remember us and don't leave those items behind in the hotel room!

Our Mission

We are a community-based social services program providing emergency food and financial assistance* to those in Bowie and Prince George's County, who are experiencing need - without regard to race, creed or gender. If we are unable to meet the needs, we will make referrals to others who may be able to provide the needed assistance.

To serve with respect, dignity and without discrimination those in need in our community by providing food, financial assistance and other resource referrals.

*Only City of Bowie residents may apply for emergency aid.



59 of our 113 Pantry volunteers gathered for our annual luncheon. We have the greatest and best looking volunteers around!



Members of GSM Group recently toured the Pantry and donated cereal. The Group is participating in our Adopt-A-Shelf program.

Members of the Bowie State University's Golden Key International Honour Society made lovely Easter Goodie Bags for our children. The Honour Society has made this an annual project, and we look forward to seeing them each spring.



5Krun/2Mwalk participants are all smiles after walking! Pictured l. to r. Mother-to-be Jen Langdon, Brendan Langdon, Kate Langdon



St. Matthew's Kindergarten class toured the Pantry in April and collected LOTS of food for the Pantry.



Berwyn Rod and Gun Club members came through again with a tremendous donation. Pictured l. to r. Jan Stritzinger, Jim Duls, John Bridendolph, Margie Pekala, and Joe Bruss

Hyrum Jonas (middle) led scouts in putting together hygiene kits for our clients. Hyrum is working on his Eagle Scout Project.



DPI Specialty Foods held a food collection for the Pantry. Employees unloaded 3 tubs of frozen food and 15 pallets of food. INCREDIBLE DAY!

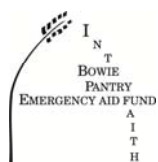


Robert Allen's Eagle Scout Project focused on our garden expansion. Robert led the scouts in adding an additional 10 feet to our site.

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Hours:
Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 am—12:00 noon
2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month 6:00—7:00 pm

The Pantry is now located in the blue building behind the Kenhill Center. Park in the back parking lot and enter through the blue building.