

Pantry Statistics

Upcoming Events:

- May 19 Food Drive, Free State Giant 9:30 am-1 pm
- May 22 Evening Hours 6-7 pm
- May 28 Memorial Day Pantry CLOSED
- June 2 BowieFest 11 am-6 pm
- June 3 Bowie Farmers Market 8 am-12 noon (Every Sunday)
- June 12 Evening Hours 6-7 pm
- June 23 Certified Wildlife Habitat Tour
- June 26 Evening Hours 6-7 pm

- Households Served*
- Client Visits*
- New Client Households*
- Children Under Age of 18*
- Bags of Groceries*
- Value of Food Distributed*
- Percent to City of Bowie Residents*
- Percent to "Bowie Area" Residents*

April 2018	March 2018	April 2017	March 2017
258	265	263	272
313	323	316	347
11	9	19	12
204	176	202	217
622	646	633	698
\$24,135	\$22,845	\$24,170	\$25,345
45%	41%	48%	49%
21%	23%	14%	17%

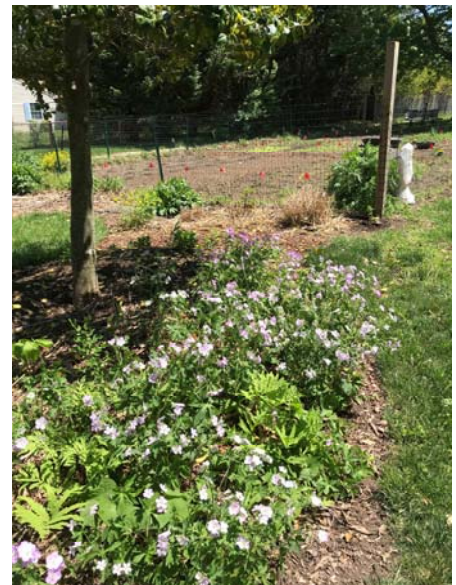
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June 23—Mark your Calendars!

Our very own Pantry garden will be part of the Bowie Green Team's annual Certified Wildlife Habitat Tour.

Come visit our garden between 1:00 -3:00 p.m. For more information visit www.cityofbowie.org/Habitats.



Like us on Facebook!



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 Specific Chiropractic
- ADT Security Services
- All Saints Lutheran Church
- Ascension Catholic Church
- Ascension Catholic Church - St. Vincent DePaul
- Bowie Center for the Performing Arts
- Bowie City Church
- Bowie Community Theatre
- Bowie High School - NHS
- Bowie Interfaith Recreation Council
- Bowie Lions Club
- Bowie Recreation Council
- Bridge Tutorial Ministries
- Catholic Charities/SHARE
- Children's Evaluation & Therapy Center
- Christian Community Presbyterian Church
- Collington Life Care - Outreach Committee
- Cresthill Baptist Church
- Curves of Glenn Dale
- Davidsonville Ruritan Fdn., Inc.
- Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. PGCAC
- Ebenezer United Methodist Church
- Faith Fellowship Church
- Girl Scout Troop 542/2994
- Girl Scout Troop 3618
- Good Hope Farmstead
- Goodloe Memorial Unitarian Universalist Congregation
- Grace Baptist Church
- Grace Lutheran Church
- Greater Mount Nebo AME Church
- Heather Hills Elementary School - Before/After Care Program
- Holy Trinity Episcopal Church
- Jack and Jill of America, Inc., Prince George's County Chapter
- The Knit Wits
- Long and Foster Realty
- Macy's Bowie Town Center - Bag Hunger Program
- M-NCPPC, Department of Parks and Recreation, Senior Services Unit
- Microsoft Matching Gifts Program
- Mitchellville Seventh Day Adventist Church
- Mount Oak United Methodist Church
- National Council of Negro Women - Mitchellville/Bowie
- Northridge Community
- Northview Elementary School
- Pi Upsilon Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
- Reformed Presbyterian Church of Bowie
- St. Barnabas Episcopal Church
- St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Church
- St. Matthew's Early Childhood Center - Kindergarten
- St. Matthew's United Methodist Church
- St. Pius X Catholic Church - Families Helping Families
- Southern Comforters Quilt Guild
- Temple Solel & The Charlie Hochman Fund
- T. J. Maxx
- Top Ladies of Distinction - Prince George's County
- Trinity Lutheran Church
- Unity Center of Light
- United Parish of Bowie
- Victory Bible Service
- Village Baptist Church
- VINO 301 Wine Concierge
- Widmann Financial Services
- Young Adult Ministry/Judah Temple AME Zion Church

Non-Profit Status

The Bowie Interfaith Pantry and Emergency Aid Fund is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. 93% of pantry donations go directly to assist clients. Tax receipts are available for all donations.

Bowie Farmers Market

Every Sunday beginning June 3, 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 breakdown and delivery of food to the Pantry

Students and their families are welcome to volunteer. Last year's market was very successful—we brought back lots of fresh vegetables and fruit 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.

Traveling this Summer?

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



Unity Center of Light held its annual stock the pantry drive in March. They donated 1,040 lbs of food and money for the Pantry. Job well done!

Greatest Needs

- Soup (*all varieties*)
- Canned Fruit
- Toilet Paper
- 100% Juice (*boxes or bottles*)

Harlan Tucker Memorial Black Jack 5K

On Saturday, March 24, runners gathered at the Glenn Dale Splash Park to support the Pantry. The race raised \$2,352.50 for the Pantry. We would like to thank all those who coordinated and participated in the race, and the event sponsors for their continued and generous support of the Pantry:

Widmann Financial Services

Bowie Recreation Council

The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission

Belair Engineering

Richard Felix Lamrouex Memorial BIRC Bowling Fundraiser

The 7th Annual event was held on March 11 at the Crofton Bowling Centre. Bowlers donated over three shopping carts filled with food and raised \$3,500. Many thanks to the Lamrouex Family and the B.I.R.C. for their continued support of the Pantry.

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.



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. Special thanks to Widmann Financial Services for sponsoring the event. At the luncheon, the following year end statistics were shared:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Client Visits	4,638	4,628	4,102
Totes of Food Distributed	10,571	9,373	8,271
New Client Households	336	283	236
Volunteer Hours	7,063	9,157	8,940
Households Served	791	790	707

Our volunteer ranks have grown to 120! Each and every volunteer provides a vital service to the Pantry, and we cannot thank them enough for their hard work and compassion.

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 their children, were most grateful for your generosity.

Bowie MOMs Club
 Bowie State University-
 Golden Key International Honour Society
 United Parish of Bowie



Members of Bowie State University's Golden Key Honour Society made 200 Easter goodie bags for our children.

NALC "Stamp Out Hunger" Food Drive

The annual event held on Saturday, May 12, was a huge success!! We would like to thank the letter carriers who picked up the food along their routes and all those who donated food. Our volunteers collected the food from the Bowie Post Offices on Laurel Bowie Road and Pointer Ridge Place.

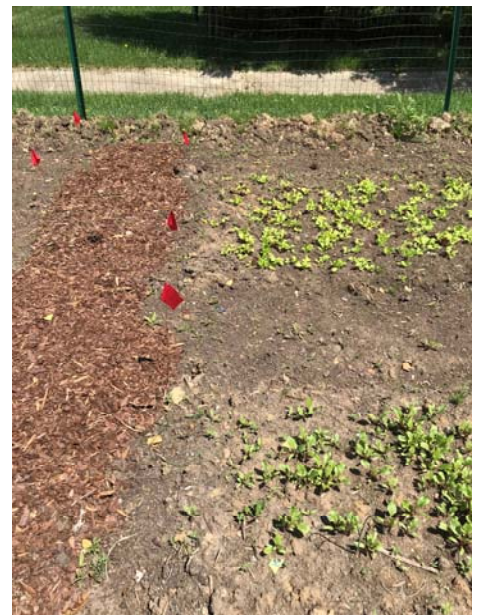




Kindergarten students from St. Matthew's brought donations and toured the Pantry and its garden.



More adorable diaper cakes from The Murray Sisters and their friends!

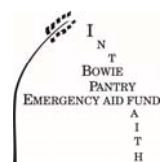


Lettuce and beets are growing in our Pantry garden!

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