



Fighting Hunger. Sustaining Hope.

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Volunteers Make the Difference!

"Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's Not!" - Dr. Suess

Applications are available on line or by calling 734-9461. We welcome groups but will need advance notice so projects can be arranged. Children under 16 years of age need to be accompanied by an adult.

Here's a few ideas for your group or organization:

- We've had great success with the Girl Scout troops coming in to decorate cake boxes. The girls and their leaders then tour our program and help with a sorting project.
- Area businesses bring in their employees to help sort.
- Hold your own food drive, deliver and sort!

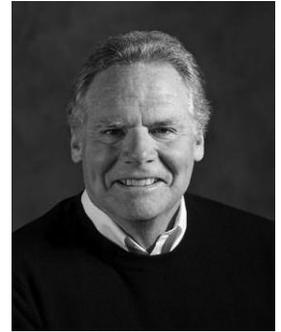
Contact Shari Waldron at 734-9461 to make arrangements.

Volunteer Fun Fact...

We surveyed our volunteers and of the 200 responses, we discovered that they have over 600 grandchildren between them! Now that's a lot of energy!

New Board President

We are pleased to announce our new president Steve Borden. Steve has been an active member of St. Joe's board of directors for the past two years including his 3 years as a volunteer.



"The mission of St. Joseph's food program is very simple we want to feed those who are in need as efficiently and effectively as possible. We want to treat our clients with the same love and respect that Christ demonstrated while on this earth.

Almost 1000 families every week are fed through the efforts of the 500 men and women that volunteer their time and talents to serve those in the Fox Cities who have fallen on hard times. These volunteers come from every walk of life: housewives, judges, factory workers, former CEO's, and high school students all pitching in to make the Valley a better place to live. And the simple fact is that each one of us who serve gains far more from the experience than we give.

St. Joe's Food Program could not exist without the generous spirit that pervades the Fox Cities; the grocery stores, the churches, the service organizations, the corporations and the individuals that every day share their blessings and assets with those in need. We are fortunate to live in a community that truly cares about its neighbors.

The staff and the Board of SJFP would like to say THANK-YOU to everyone in our community who is helping in some way to serve those in need here in the Fox Cities."

~Steve Borden

Grow A Row for St. Joe's



Thanks to the help of Leadership Fox Cities, St. Joe's is officially kicking off the growing season with the **Grow A Row for St. Joe's** program. The program is designed to encourage our community to donate fresh produce from their gardens to St. Joe's. The donation will help give the families of the food program greater nutritional choices and also helps offset our produce budget which is \$100,000 per year. The goal of the project team from Leadership Fox Cities was to create

a marketing plan and materials and distribute these materials to community vendors. The group worked with Karen Ziemke, Development Director, to create a logo, brochure and poster. More than 30 local vendors, agencies and community organizations were contacted. The group also worked to collaborate with local farmers market's to encourage vendors to donate their leftover produce to St. Joe's. *"Working on the Grow a Row campaign has helped me to become more aware of the needs St. Joe's Food Program has. I feel fortunate to have had the opportunity to share this great program with our community."* said Karen Schiller, team member from Leadership Fox Cities.

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Human Race 2010

Once again our theme for the Human Race was "Need Milk!" and with the help of our volunteers gathering donations, bell ringers from local boy scouts and the unique way one local dairy decided to help, we were able to reach a total of \$14,800!



Josie with John Vosters.

Tidy-View Dairy's unique donation came in the way of a cow for a year! Well, sort of...the equivalent of milk one cow produces for a year. This equates to a donation of \$4000! "We found the perfect cow to help us with this project," said John Vosters, partner of Tidy-View Dairy and its parent company, Milk Source Holdings. Vosters said the proceeds from the sale of milk produced by Tidy-View cow,

"Josie", for a full 12 months will be given to our milk program here at St. Joe's as part of our fundraiser for the Human Race and our "Need Milk" campaign. Using the message "Fighting Hunger one gallon at a time," Josie was introduced at a press briefing held at the dairy on April 22nd. "Working with an outstanding asset such as St. Joseph Food Program, we are able to help in a meaningful way. When we first heard of the 'Need Milk!' campaign, we knew this was a perfect partnership for the dairy," said John.

St. Joe's is thrilled to have Josie on board!

Coming soon... Josie on You-tube promoting our milk program!



Grow A Row for St. Joe's (continued)

We anticipate a significant increase in produce donations this year because of the Grow a Row program.

"We were very happy with the efforts of the Leadership Fox Cities Team! They helped us launch a program that is sustainable and very beneficial to our clients." said Karen Ziemke, Development Director.

For more information or to print off a brochure on the **Grow a Row for St. Joe's** program, visit our website at www.stjoesfoodprogram.org and click on the logo or programs tab. While you're there check out the YouTube video!

www.stjoesfoodprogram.org

Find us on the web for information on volunteering, donating and program events. Check out what St. Joseph Food Program is all about!

Dorothy Johnson Honored at Vounteer Dinner

Dorothy Johnson, our former board president, former Appleton Mayor and current board member was honored at the Annual Volunteer Appreciation dinner held in April, with the announcement that a fund has been set up in her name at St. Joe's.



Benefitting St. Joe's, the Dorothy Johnson Fund will be used to purchase food for the program. "I am honored and humbled by this expression of appreciation." said Dorothy. "I will continue as a board member providing support to our staff and the wonderful volunteers of our program. For more information on The Dorothy Johnson Fund visit our website and click on the donate tab. This fund is open to anyone in the community who would like to make a donation in appreciation for the dedication and hard work Dorothy has given our community through the years.

2009 Board of Directors and Staff

Steve Borden	<i>President / Governance Committee</i>
Tom O'Hearn	<i>Vice-President / Operations Committee</i>
Michael Dejno CPA	<i>Treasurer / Finance Committee</i>
Doug Sachs	<i>Secretary / Finance & Operations Committees</i>
Steve Burkhardt	<i>Development Committee</i>
Mark Farrell	<i>Operations Committee</i>
James Hyde	<i>Development Committee</i>
Dorothy Johnson	<i>Development Committee</i>
Cheryl Cheslock	<i>Development Committee</i>
Dennis Simon	<i>Governance Committee</i>
Lo Lee	<i>Hmong-American Partnership</i>

Lou Blasczyk	<i>Development & Finance Committees</i>
Tom Schiltz	<i>Development Committee</i>

Staff Contacts

Monica Clare	<i>Director of Operations</i>
Lori Seeke	<i>Office Manager</i>
Shari Waldron	<i>Volunteer Coordinator</i>
Karen Ziemke	<i>Development Director</i>

Put the name to a face. Go to our website: www.stjoesfoodprogram.org and click on board and staff!

Hi-Five Club...revitalized



Five dollars per month is all it takes to be part of the Hi-Five Club! This self-sustaining club helps St. Joseph Food Program purchase food for our program. We are excited to announce that we are revitalizing the Hi-Five Club and will be introducing a new brochure and new look to the program. The mission will stay the same...for \$5 a month, one person at a time we can make a difference in the lives

There is just no way to give a hi-five without feeling better afterwards!

of the families who depend on St. Joe's for their food needs. Please consider being part of this unique club and give us your hi-five!

Join as a classroom, department, special group or an individual. Memberships are available on line at www.stjoesfoodprogram.org.

Complete form to start your HI-FIVE Club membership!

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Date: _____

E-mail: _____

Signature: _____

Mail to: St. Joseph Food Program - Hi Five
1465 Opportunity Way, Menasha, WI 54952

New Truck for St. Joe's

With a portion of a \$40,000 grant from the Bemis Foundation and another \$25,000 from an anonymous donor, St. Joseph Food Program is the proud owner of a new truck! Following the anonymous donation, Bemis responded by contributing the remaining \$13,500 to buy the truck outright for our program. Bemis then added another \$26,500 to help purchase food for the program.

"In this difficult economic time, we recognize the increased number of individuals and families in the community who are facing hunger," said

Gene Seashore, Bemis Company's Senior Vice President of Human Resources, and Bemis Company Foundation Trustee. *"Bemis is proud to support St. Joseph's Food Program and all of its volunteers who are dedicated to meeting this basic need."*



Volunteers with the new St. Joe's truck

Volunteer Anniversaries

No one is more cherished in this world than someone who lightens the burdens of another!

Every day volunteers at St. Joseph Food Program help to lighten the burden of people in need here in the Fox Valley. On Thursday, April 15, 2010, St. Joseph Food Program had an opportunity to thank our volunteers at the Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner. We also celebrated the milestone anniversaries of many of our dedicated volunteers:

5 YEARS (2004)

Roberta Bauden
Sister Gayle Bogdanowitz
Ray Driessen
Sandra Hablewitz
Jean Jacob
Marge Paque
Warren Poleman
Faith Sanderfoot
Ron Sanderfoot
George VanBeek
Tom VanNuland
Kim Waldhart
Larry Waldhart
William Goetz

10 YEARS (1999)

Walt Pauls
Mary Lou Peerenboom
John Phelan
Lois Pozolinski
Tom Reuss
Sancee Riese
Al Schmidt
Jeff Schweitzer
David VandenHeuvel
Jan VandenHeuvel

15 YEARS (1994)

Richard Krueger
Tom O'Hearn
Lois Olson
Hugo Wimmer
Marv Wittrock

10 YEARS (1999)

Herb Batley
Bea Daniel
Martha Graf
David Meyer

20 YEARS (1989)

Harold Deprez
Chuck Campbell

Food Drive Bags Now Available!

Thanks to a partnership with Crystal Print, customized food bags are now available for food drives! These bags are made of a durable plastic with the St. Joe's logo and a listing of suggested food items. The bags are a great marketing tool for a successful food drive! If you're interested in a supply of these bags for your next event (free of charge), please contact Monica Clare at 920/734-9461.



How Your Donations Impact Our Clients...

a small sample of heart felt thank you notes.

Although I work a full time job its not enough to feed two growing boys
A Sample Thank - You isnt a enough What if done for me and others you help but Thank - you and God Bless

“ Thank you for your contribution, being able to come to St. Joe’s and help feed my family is a great help. My son gets really excited when we can get the fruit and veggies. He loves them and he can pick out the sweet treat that we can’t afford to buy on our own. Thanks again. God bless you all. ”

~A family of the food program

“ Thank you...If it wasn’t for this program we wouldn’t have what we have on our table today. Thank you to those whom grow, harvest and donate the food and the time it takes to feed all our needs. You are all God sent...and will be highly praised when you are seated with him at your time. God Bless you all. ”

~A family of the food program

Thank you . . .
the generosity of those in the valley to help others is incredible!
“ Thank you ” !!

Thank you . . .
Very much for donating to St. Joes. It helps my family of 5 alot.
God will Bless you!

“ Thank you for your generous donations that have helped my family with food for the past few months. I pray daily that my financial situation will change and I will be able to give back as other have given to me. ”

~A family of the food program

Why Give?

When families thrive, whole communities thrive. For 28 years St. Joseph Food Program has been feeding the hungry in the Fox Valley. The need for food is a daily, on going need, and as a result, funding for our program is a constant.

Your gift to St. Joseph Food Program will help us meet the food needs of our 1000 plus families who visit our program each week and extend our impact beyond the basic need of food. St. Joe's remains committed to "Fighting Hunger. Sustaining Hope."

Make a gift to St. Joseph Food Program and help us help impact the lives of those who find themselves in need of food assistance.

Ways to Give

St. Joseph Food Program accepts a variety of gifts to best meet the charitable intentions of our donors.

Cash or Check: You can make an immediate gift or make a pledge to be paid over time. Checks can be made payable to St. Joseph Food Program.

Be A Monthly Sustainer: Auto payment is available for your convenience! This secure method of donating will provide a steady source of support to help fight hunger in the Fox Valley and balance your giving throughout the year.

On-line: At our website www.stjoesfoodprogram.org.

Employer Matching Gifts: Many employers support philanthropy among their employees by matching their gifts. We are happy to work with you and your employer to meet their program requirements and maximize the power of your gift. Please send the appropriate paperwork to our office so we can process the match.

In-kind Gifts: We welcome gifts of non-perishable food or services that help us fulfill our mission. Food donations or food drives are a great way to support our program.

Bequest by Will: Including a charitable bequest in your will is a simple way to make a lasting gift to our community. When you make this gift to St. Joes, you are making a gift that benefits the community and becomes your personal legacy of giving.

Volunteer Your Time: Volunteers are vital to the success of our program. If you would like more information about how you can use your talents to support St. Joseph Food Program, please contact our **Volunteer Coordinator, Shari Waldron**, or go online and fill out an application.

Immediate Volunteer Needs!

Nutrition Program Coordinator

Requires one morning a week or every other week. Work will include display of recipes, nutrition information and education. Creativity and an interest in nutrition helpful.

Substitute Interviewers

Requires one morning a week or as needed. You will need to be computer savvy and enjoy working with people.

Office Generalist

Office generalists assist with projects for various departments at St. Joseph Food Program. It's a great way to get to know a variety of people throughout the organization. This volunteer will need to work independently, be flexible, enjoy a variety of projects and be willing to complete repetitive tasks. Projects include data entry, filing, phone calls, photocopying, packet assembly, mailings and special projects.

- Time commitment: at least three hours per week for three months.
- Skills required: proficiency with Microsoft Office, QuickBooks, basic computer skills, comfortable making phone calls and organization.

Interested? Please fill out our volunteer application online. We'll contact you when we have an opening.



*St. Joe's anticipates
distributing
66,833 gallons of milk in 2010...*

*That is equivalent to 14 cows milking twice a day,
7 days a week 365 days a year!*

Mooove over Josie. We've got work to do!

Speakers Bureau

Speakers are available for your next event, church gathering or community group. Please contact Karen Ziemke, Development Director at 920/734-9461 or karensjfp@sbcglobal.net.

Volunteering in Wisconsin

Wisconsin ranks 13th in volunteering with Madison being one of the top 5 midsize cities...

The following information is how the state of Wisconsin ranks in volunteering based on 2007-2009 data and is available at www.volunteeringinamerica.gov/ranking.cfm

- 1.5 million volunteers
- 33.5% of residents volunteer - ranking 13th among the 50 states and Washington, DC
- 158.6 million hours of service
- 36 hours per resident - ranking 23rd among the 50 states and Washington, DC
- \$3.3 billion of service contributed



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Events

Community Garden Partnership

St. Joseph Food Program is the official site for the Community Garden's newest location. This particular garden is a pilot project and will be used to demonstrate and teach the basics of gardening and canning. This is a collaborative effort between St. Joe's, Salvation Army and the Community Garden. The garden will be maintained by clients of both agencies of St. Joe's and Salvation Army. Ten percent of all produce grown at this site will be donated back to St. Joe's.

For more information on this project or information on how you can become involved, contact: Susan Richardson, Director of the Community Garden Partnership, 920-832-5119 or e-mail susan.richardson@ces.uwex.edu.

Community Garden Partnership is a program of Goodwill NCW and recognized by the State of Wisconsin as an outstanding partner in conservation.



In collaboration with
St. Joseph Food Program / Salvation Army Food Pantry
& Midway Outreach Community Condominium Association

Petco Partners with St. Joe's

The Petco store on Calumet Street in Appleton is partnering with us to provide pet food and supplies to needy families in the area. "We don't want families to have to give up their pets because they can't afford to feed them," says Amy Starfeldt, Petco Manager. "People are going through tough times. Giving up their pets makes things even tougher." Petco will give customers the opportunity to purchase new bags of pet food and supplies that are then donated to St. Joe's. The food program will distribute these items to their clients who have pets.

St. Joseph Food Program appreciates this partnership with Petco. We have many clients whose dog or cat is a very important member of their families.

The inability to care for these pets weighs heavily on them. We hope that by distributing these donations, we can help our clients maintain pet care and receive the unconditional love a pet provides.

