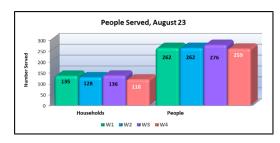
Woodstock Pantry ENews Brief

27 August 2023

35 volunteers served 259 people this week. We served a total of 1,073 people in August. That is a 16% increase in demand since June.

Thanks to Chris for covering my duties this weekend and to everyone who stepped up to provide our usual fantastic service!



FALL KICK-OFF PARTY

Please join members of the Community Engagement Committee at All Saints on September 10, 11:15am for a community celebration!

We will celebrate <u>Woodstock Gives Back</u> by recognizing the many people who contribute to Woodstock Pantry and Woodstock Hot Meals. We will share about the Woodstock Pantry Build Project. And we will offer people the opportunity to 'Buy a Plant' to help landscape our new Woodstock Pantry.

If you can come, please RSVP Kristen so we get enough food and refreshments!

THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Our **Social Network Team** will share the Woodstock Pantry Social Network at the Fall Kick-Off Party. For the pantry to succeed as an ongoing food source for our area, we must continue to develop and expand the network of people and organizations that adopt the Woodstock Pantry as their own. So, the team is working with the other teams to develop and expand our social network.

Our **Volunteer Projects Team** is creating plans to recruit volunteers for projects related to the pantry build. They will share the information at the Fall Kick-Off Party and sign-up people who want to join us to 'raise the barn'!

Our **Gratitude (G) Team** is implementing strategies to express our gratitude to the many people who contribute to the pantry. The team will be at the Fall Kick-Off Party to recognize all those who contribute to the pantry. And they would like to get a picture of all the volunteers! Please come join us!

SIGN UP FOR JULY/AUGUST SHIFTS

Remember – there is a new signup sheet for September. Your old link no longer works. Please sign up for your shifts. Remember to sign up for the weekend by the prior Thursday so we can plan. And if you can't come, please contact me right away so that I can get others to fill your position. Many thanks!

WP Sign Up Sheet September

CROSSTRAIN TO BE A WOODSTOCK HOT MEALS VOLUNTEER

Several people have crossed trained as pantry and hot meals volunteers. It gives them options about how they want to contribute, and it gives us more flexibility to keep our programs running. Please let me know if you have questions or are interested in Woodstock Hot Meals!

Celebrate...

It Takes a Community, And We Are It!