







2016 Annual Report

THANK YOU!

During 2016, more than 143 individuals, 15 churches, 11 businesses, 3 organizations and 14 grants invested finances in our food pantry networks. 85%+ of the work done at Friedens has been accomplished by 2,000+ unique volunteers (up from 1,400+ in 2015.) Together we have been building ladders of peace throughout Milwaukee since 1978!

Over **600,000 lbs of food** was distributed! That is **12lbs per person**.

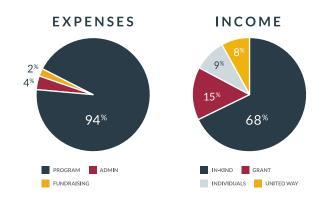
What We Do

Friedens Community Ministries, Inc. is a network of food pantries building ladders of peace throughout Milwaukee. We believe that a dependable supply of food is a means of bringing hope and dignity to our community.

Financials

Thanks to the generosity of our donors we raised around \$757,900 in donations (both cash and in-kind). Partners giving over the equivalent of \$5,000 include: United Way of Greater Milwaukee and Waukesha County, Hunger Task Force, Feeding America, Walmart Foundation, Anonymous Grant, TEFAP, Milwaukee County, Centro Hispano, Hope House of Milwaukee, Racine Dominicans, Roundy's Foundation, Nonprofit Management Fund (Greater Milwaukee Foundation) and Southeastern Wisconsin United Church of Christ Association.

*Not final audited numbers



2016 **AWARDS**



2016 President's Community Engagement Award

Nonprofit Center of Milwaukee
Strengthening Nonprofits ~ Building Community

2016 Non-profit Excellence Award
Philanthropic Leadership





United Way Philanthropic 5 Award Winner



2016 BBB Torch Awards for Ethics

BUILDING LADDERS OF PEACE

A **NETWORK** OF FOOD PANTRIES

Number of Community Members Served in 2016

Coggs Center Food Pantry

1220 W. Vliet St., Milwaukee, WI 53205

Household 7,256 (6,313 in 2015)
 Individuals 11,658 (11,065 in 2015)
 Infant Needs 267 (224 in 2015)

Despensa de la Paz Food Pantry

1615 W. 22nd St., Milwaukee, WI 53224

Household 7,490 (7,064 in 2015)Individuals 30,000 (26,419 in 2015)

Hope House Food Pantry

209 W. Orchard St., Milwaukee, WI 53224

• Household 3,497 (4,195 in 2015)

• Individuals 9,839 Closed for 2 months due to water damage

(11,171 in 2015)

Infant Needs 34 (62 in 2015)Stock Box 703 (800 in 2015)

StreetLife Community Ministries

 Served around 100 homeless individuals each week with a hot cup of coffee, sandwiches, new winter boots, jeans, tennis shoes, and a smile.
 Working together to connect the disconnected.

TOTALS:

Household 18,243 (17,572 in 2015) + StreetLife
 Individuals 51,497 (48,655 in 2015) + StreetLife

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WHAT'S NEXT?

In 2017, Friedens will be looking at our strategic next steps. With a solid foundation built over the last 39 years, we will be documenting our Best Practices, sharing them with other pantries, and deepening the services that we provide. With the responsibility of serving such a great number of families, it will take us all coming together. We will depend on our volunteers, partners and donors to launch us into our next 40 years!