



THANK YOU!

During 2015, more than 88 individuals, 15 churches, 4 businesses and 10 grants invested finances in our food pantry networks. 85%+ of the work done at Friedens has been accomplished by 1,400+ unique volunteers (up from 600+ in 2014.) Together we have been building ladders of peace throughout Milwaukee since 1978!

What We Do

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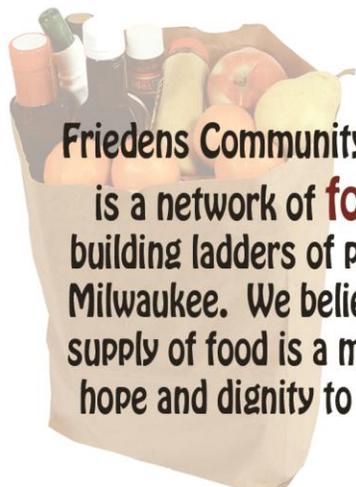
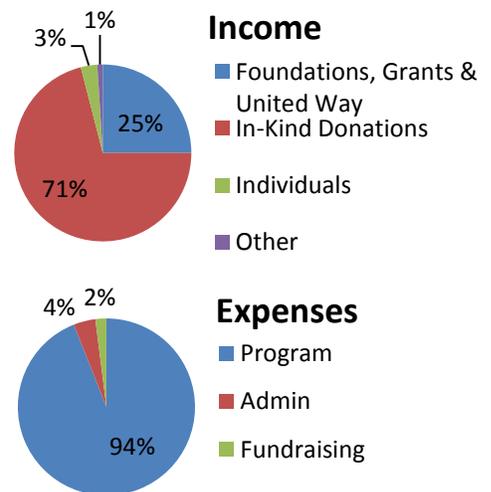
Friedens has experienced a surge in need. Over the last year the number of people who have visited our pantries has greatly increased by 33%. While a part of that increase was due to overseeing the pantry at Hope House, all of our pantries have seen more families coming to us for help.

We have switched all our pantries to a choice food model. With choice, our community members no longer get pre-selected bags of food, but are given the dignity to choose from a limited selection what their family would enjoy eating. We have been able to provide 3-5 day supply of nutritious food including meat, protein, fruits and vegetables (fresh when possible), dairy products, soups, breakfast foods, bread and starches such as pasta. In addition to our food pantry services, Friedens is a significant provider of baby and infant formula; two of our pantries have a free library and our Despensa location runs a small clothing bank. Also, our StreetLife team has also gone out into the community twice a week to serve our homeless community members with food, boots, socks, jeans, a warm cup of coffee and handshake.

Financials

Thanks to the generosity of our donors we raised around \$650,000 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, Milwaukee County, Centro Hispano, Hope House of Milwaukee, Anonymous Grant, Racine Dominicans, Roundy's Foundation, and Southeastern Wisconsin United Church of Christ Association.

*Not final audited numbers.



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2015 Number of Clients

Coggs Center Food Pantry (1220 W. Vliet St., Milwaukee, WI 53205)

- Household: 6,313 (5,572 in 2014)
- Individuals: 11,065 (10,952 in 2014)
- Infant Needs: 224 (400 in 2014)

Despensa de la Paz Food Pantry (1615 W. 22nd St., Milwaukee, WI 53224)

- Household: 7,064 (5,568 in 2014)
- Individuals: 26,419 (20,812 in 2014)

Hope House Food Pantry (209 W. Orchard St., Milwaukee, WI 53224)

- Household: 4,195 (new pantry)
- Individuals: 11,171 (new pantry)
- Infant Needs: 62 (new pantry)
- Stock Box: 800 (new pantry)

JCY Food Pantry (9050 N. Swan Rd., Milwaukee, WI 53225)

- Household: closed (1,118 in 2014- 10 months)
- Individuals: closed (4,209 in 2014- 10 months)

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: 17,572 +StreetLife (12,190 in 2014)
- Individuals: 48,655 +StreetLife (35,973 in 2014)

Management Team

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What's Next?

Unfortunately, ***the need around us keeps rising and more people are in need of our food pantries.*** We are stepping up to meet that need. In 2016, we will be focusing on securing the resources to meet the growing need, as we plan to open a new pantry on the NW side of Milwaukee. You can stay connected and up to date on our activities either by visiting us at [facebook.com/friedenspantry](https://www.facebook.com/friedenspantry) or by signing up for our new E-Newsletter: friedenspantry.org/join-our-mailing-list/