



Fighting Hunger
and
Feeding Hope

Community Food Banks of South Dakota

2006 Annual Report

In 2006, at the **Community Food Banks of South Dakota**, we continued our mission of fighting hunger throughout our state. It was a year filled with many challenges and blessings. The wonderful people and businesses of South Dakota were very generous in providing us with both food and financial contributions. It's because of their caring support that we were able to provide a gift of both food and hope to many individuals and families.

During the year we worked with our elected officials in Washington D.C. to save the Commodity Supplemental Food Program from elimination due to budget cuts. This federal program provides a monthly supplemental food box to low income eligible seniors. To 2,812 seniors in

South Dakota struggling to make ends meet on a fixed income, this food package is vital to helping them stretch their monthly budgets. It also ensures that they receive some of the critical nutrients that they need to maintain a healthy life style.

We also began a new program designed to help school aged children. As you know our public schools provide free or reduced meals to children who are at-risk of hunger. If not for these meals too many school children would be trying to learn on an empty stomach. But what happens to these children on the weekends when there is no school? That is where the "BackPack Program" comes in!

The "BackPack Program" was started through a joint partner-

ship between the Food Bank and the local school system. Through this program, at-risk children are provided with nutritious, child-friendly, easy-to-prepare foods for the weekends until school and access to the meal programs resumes. The food is packaged and placed in non-descript backpacks to carry home, helping to avoid the stigma of poverty that many low-income children face among their peers. The school was chosen as the distribution site because of their relationships with the students, the ease of access and the safe environment they provide.

In 2006, with the dedication of an incredibly hard working and dedicated staff along with the support of volunteers, donors and partners we were able to "Fight Hunger and Feed Hope".

Meeting the Hunger Needs of South Dakotan's

Each month hundreds of individuals and families receive food assistance through our direct service pantries. From our pantries in Sioux Falls and Rapid City we served over 11,400 clients by distributing over 641,000 pounds of food and grocery products. This food then pro-

vided a 5 day food supply to over 29,500 individuals and family members. From our food bank operations we distributed an amazing total of 9,262,562 pounds of food and grocery products through a network of 500 hunger relief organizations in all 66 counties of South Dakota.

Additionally, we distribute food and grocery products to a handful of neighboring organizations in Wyoming and Nebraska.

1 in 7 people in South Dakota are at risk of not having sufficient resources to obtain enough food.

Donations come to S.D. from across the U.S.

Through our affiliation with America's Second Harvest and the over 200 food banks in it's network we have access to surplus product. This product comes by way of donations from many national donors and from other food banks who share their excess product with us.

National donors are companies such as Kellogg's, Kraft, and General Mills. Additionally, we receive donations locally from John Morrell, Orion, the HyVeas, Heartland Paper, Variety Foods, Sunshine, Nash Finch, Metz, Safeway and Sam's Club to name but a few. Additionally, food drives that are held in Rapid City and Sioux Falls provide us with critical need items that are distributed through our pantry operations directly to individuals and families.

We rely on our partners, donors and organizations for their financial support that enables us to pay for the procurement and transport of food products from all over the U.S.

Without the support of our many donors, in the form of both financial and in-kind services, we could not possibly continue to meet the hunger demands of our state.

Community Food Banks of South Dakota Board of Directors and Staff

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Staff

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Sioux Falls Office:

Food Bank

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Pantry

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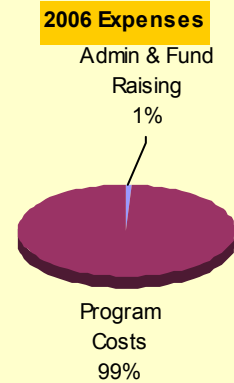
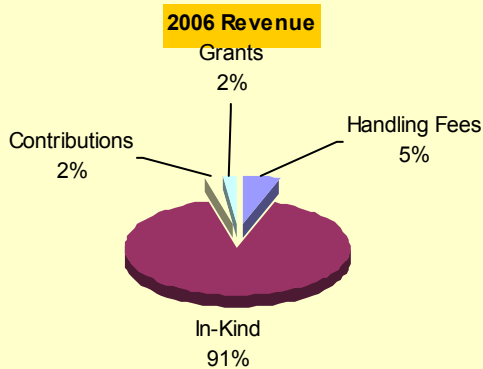
Food Bank

Monica Leitheiser, Site Manger
Tony Walters, Warehouse Manager
Carrie Burritt, Inventory Controller
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Larry Welke, Warehouse Assistant
Ryan Graff, Warehouse Assistant

Pantry

Tim Lipp, Pantry Coordinator
Glen Cychosz, Pantry Assistant

2006 Statement of Activities (Unaudited/Audit Pending)



Support & Revenue

Support:

Donated Inventory (market value)	\$12,744,773
USDA Inventory (market value)	\$ 1,905,846
In-Kind Contributions	\$ 166,973
Private Grants	\$ 113,270
United Way	\$ 39,625
State, County and City Grants	\$ 164,752
Contributions	\$ 290,431
Special Events	\$ 29,221

Revenue:

Shared Maintenance Revenue	\$ 857,738
Miscellaneous Income	<u>\$ 49,162</u>
Total Support & Revenue	\$16,361,791

Expenses

Program Services:

Food distribution	\$15,430,544
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Supporting Services:

Management and General	\$ 129,266
Fund Raising	\$ 14,376

Total Expenses **\$15,574,186**