Saturday Food Distribution

10:30 am - 11:30 am

In addition to the Food Pantry we also provide bread, baked goods, pizza, produce, and sometimes dairy products every Saturday to our clients. They can visit us every Saturday morning to receive these items.* It can be a real money savings if they use the service. We accommodate from forty (40) to seventy (70) households each week.

We also provide items to two senior citizen complexes in Baltimore on a regular basis. These items are delivered weekly.

In order to do all this, we rely solely on contributions and volunteers. There are no paid positions in our organization. We are 501C 3, and are Incorporated.

We always appreciate food donations, and can arrange to pick up on a regular schedule or as needed. Anything we cannot use for our clients, or is left over, is taken to Lancaster and distributed to other food pantries or a soup kitchen. If we pick up produce during the week that will not keep until Saturday, we immediately take it to another pantry so it will not spoil.

*Must be a resident of the Baltimore or Thurston, Ohio, area for pickup.

"It is our goal to help as many people as possible."

Ruth Crutcher, Director

Food Pantry

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Baltimore/Thurston

FOOD PANTRY

"To help others live, gives meaning to your own life."

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HUNGER KNOWS NO SEASON

Baltimore/Thurston Area Food Pantry

Baltimore/Thurston Area Food Pantry is a community supported organization that helps area families with groceries when there is a need. The contacts for the food pantry are Director, Ruth Crutcher, 740-862-4082, or Co-Director, Tina Goodman 740-862-8399.

PURPOSE AND FUNCTION:

1. **What is the purpose of this program?**

The purpose of this program is to "lend a hand" to local families in the Baltimore/ Thurston area during time of need.

2. **Where do we get our references?**

Our references come from local churches, people in the community, family or individuals in need who can notify Information Referral Service in Lancaster by dialing 211.

3. **How can we be sure there is a need?**

Information Referral Services is a Fairfield County organization that is designed to coordinate with all charitable organizations in the county to keep up-to-date records on who needs financial help or food, and where and when they get help. If we receive a call from a church or individual, we verify with Information Referral to be sure there is a need. This helps ensure that assistance is available to all who really need it, and also helps eliminate abuse of the system.

4. **Where do we get our support?**

Our support comes totally from the community. Churches, groups, schools and others collect non-perishable food items throughout the year. We also receive cash donations from time to time, which we use to purchase meat and other perishable items as needed. Money is kept in a checking account and used as needed, and receipts for expenses are kept.

5. **Who has access to the records?**

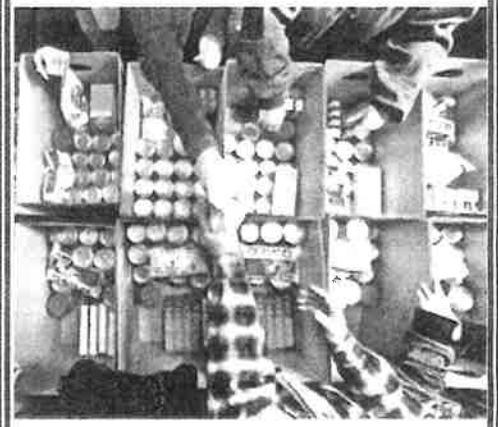
Only the Director and Co-director have access to personal records which are kept in a secure location. The privacy of our clients are available only to them and Information Referral Services.

6. **Is food the only assistance given?**

The food pantry itself only provides food, but other organizations in the community, such as Community Chest helps with other needs, such as utility bills, prescriptions, etc.

The Baltimore/ Thurston Area Food Pantry serves the people of the area with food and other necessities. We coordinate with Information and Referral Services in Lancaster for applicants.

We provide food orders by appointment, five days each week, and our clients receive a large food order every two months if needed.



"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." Winston Churchill