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DID YOU KNOW?

- RRVP spends .94 of every dollar on Program Services
- RRVP operates two locations
- RRVP has 100+ active volunteers
- RRVP helps Winnebago County residents
- RRVP has been operating for 50 years
- · RRVP's mission is to fight hunger in the community by providing nutritious food to those in urgent need.

• The RRVP is a 501c3

RRVP Mission Statement:

Rock River Valley Pantry fights hunger in the community by providing nutritious food to those in urgent need.

Community Food Pantry	
YES, I want to help the Rock River Valley Pantry provide food to those in need!	
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Need Help?

If you don't know where your next meal is coming from, or if you are unsure how you are going to feed your family, then contact us! We are here for you and your family!

Want to Help?

Make a donation today, host a food drive, volunteer your time, or support the Peanut Butter Endowment. Your support today could mean someone has food tomorrow!



The Newsletter of the Rock River Valley Pantry | Northern Illinois' Largest Community Food Pantry | Spring 2024

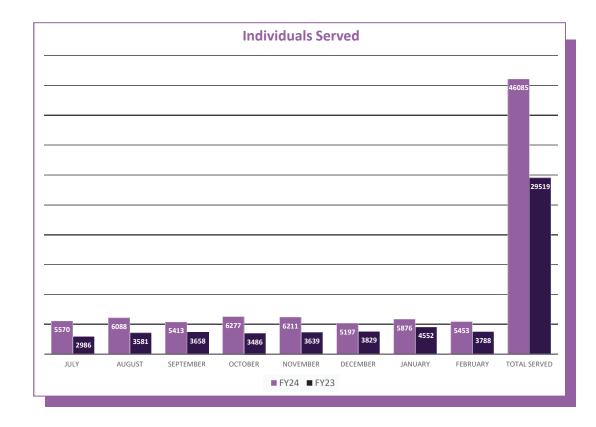


Rock River Valley Pantry, Fighting Hunger and Feeding Hope!

Growing Need and Growing Thanks!

For 50 years, Rock River Valley Pantry has been serving the hungry of our community. During the first three quarters of this fiscal year, we have seen the need for our services grow by 156%. Each day more and more people utilize the pantry to help them feed their families. As the need continues to rise, RRVP is extremely grateful for all of our donors! We are able to serve our community because of the donations we receive. Thank you to the individuals, corporations, businesses, churches and organizations that allow us to continue the fight again hunger in our community.

Thank you for your generosity!





President's Message

At the beginning of each Board of Directors Meeting, our Mission Statement: "The Rock River Valley Pantry fights hunger in the community by providing nutritious food to those in urgent need" is read. The purpose of this activity is

to reinforce our need to continue serving those who find themselves in an unforeseen situation as the Rock River Valley Pantry has been doing for 50 years.

None of this would have been possible without the overwhelming generosity of our Donors and the commitment of our Volunteers.

While our service "to those in urgent need" over the last 50 years is well established and respected, we realize that we cannot allow ourselves to 'sit on our laurels', if we are to persevere in our "fight against hunger in our community".

As such, the Board has been actively fine-tuning our Strategic Action Plan and implementing many improvements relating to nutritious food availability and service to our clients, more efficient and productive operations and policies, marketing enhancements, improvements to our fundraising activities, financial grant procurements, as well as Volunteer opportunities.

Going forward, Our Mission to "fight hunger in the community" remains unchanged. Going forward, Our Commitment to "Serve Our Clients" will be Priority #1 until hunger in our community is no longer an issue.

To all of our Donors, a BIG Thank You for your Generosity over the last 50 Years and your continued Generosity in the future!!

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Ronald V. Welte President Rock River Valley Pantry

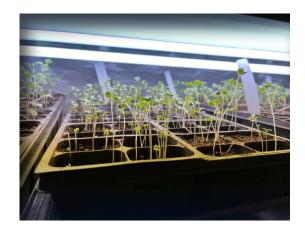
Plant a Row For the Hungry

Calling all gardeners! Lend a hand by planting an extra row or two and donating your harvest to RRVP. In 2023, local gardeners donated more than 16,700 pounds of fresh produce. All of that donated produce goes right to our clients!



Gardening for a Good Cause

The RRVP gardeners have been busy preparing our own garden. Planting and tending to seedling in preparation for the upcoming season. Do you have a green thumb and want to lend a hand? If so, we could use more volunteers! Contact Barb Flores at bafheartland@gmail.com to learn more.





Peanut Butter and Jelly Rally

It is peanut butter and jelly collection time! Our goal this year is to collect 20,000 jars by the first week of June.

Collecting peanut butter and jelly now means we will have plenty to distribute during the summer months when kids are out of school and hungry. Drop off donations at our 421 South Rockton location or at Rockford Community Bank, 1825 N Perryville Rd. Do you want to host your own collection drive? Call us today to learn how, 815-965-2466. Monetary donations can be made on our website at www.rrvp.org!

Thank you to our sponsors, Rockford Community Bank and 23WIFR!



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Volunteers Needed



Join the Rock River Valley Pantry in fighting hunger in our community!

We need help with:

- Rescue: Assist staff in the pick-up of donated goods.
- Warehouse: Sort, inspect, package, restock shelves.
- ✓ Registration: Greeters, registrars.
- Distribution: Shoppers, assisting clients with groceries.
- Special Projects: Includes various duties, such as landscaping projects, painting, or food sorting.

To learn more or register call or visit our website.

Looking to do a special project? Call to schedule today!



www.rrvp.org

Volunteer Shifts
Monday-Friday

8:15AM-11:15AM or 12:45PM-4:00PM

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