

A NOTE FROM JANIE

THERE IS HOPE



Dear Friends,

There's always hope. As you read along, you will see the many achievements you've helped us attain here at El Pasoans Fighting Hunger Food Bank. We're providing health care awareness and nutrition counseling at our many mobile pantries. Volunteers have helped us set records for getting food out to the community. And new studies show that EPFH is distributing more food than many of our peer food banks.

But we must remain vigilant. The face of hunger has changed in El Paso and throughout America. No longer a one-time, emergency situation, hunger is now chronic. [EPFH has extensive information documenting hunger in El Paso. Of the 99,000 individuals that EPFH serves in a year, the highest percentage are children (31.5%); 22% are seniors; and 3% are active duty military or veterans]. It is not widely known that of the 99,000 households we serve, 65% are working poor.

To address this, we distributed 9 million pounds (or 7,500,000 meals) last year, a record for us and for El Paso. The food went to our 110 community partners such as food pantries, churches, and social service organizations all working with us to provide meals throughout the community.

We value your partnership with El Pasoans Fighting Hunger Food Bank. Your support of our efforts is an inspiration to us all.

Sincerely,

Jamie Sinclair

Janie Sinclair
Executive Director



2014 Annual Report

Where the money goes

EPFH is an exceptionally frugal organization, and we like to share that information with donors and the community. A full 90% of all income is spent on food distribution and transportation, while other necessary expenses such as salaries, building costs and others make up only 7.4% of the budget. Only 2.6% of every dollar is spent on fundraising, and so we can reassure donors that their dollars go a long way toward meeting the needs of the hungry!

Income Statement

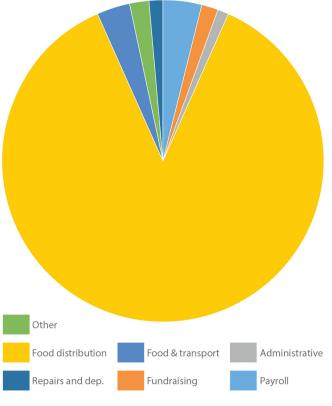
December 31, 2014

INCOME	YTD ACTUAL
Donations	\$701,299.28
Direct Mail Campaign	\$275,222.79
Donated Commodities	\$9,925,246.00
Other Fund Raisers/Income	\$96,337.53
Grants	\$245,000.00
Shared Maintenance	\$522,692.05
Government Support	\$2,003,540.43
Other Income	\$14,923.63
In-Kind Donations	\$18,682.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$13,802,943.71

NET INCOME (EXPENSE)

EXPENSE	
Personnel	\$781,769.46
Occupancy	\$238,066.21
Transportation	\$157,830.22
Food Acquistion	\$276,915.99
Materials/Supplies	\$24,057.97
Equipment Repair/Maintenance	\$46,573.71
Contract Services	\$33,977.16
Fund Raising	\$138,398.38
Food Distribution	\$11,763,605.71
Other Expenses	\$26,578.22
Depreciation	\$72,997.82
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$13,560,770.85

\$242,172.86



Balance Sheet

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

December 31, 2014

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Cash	\$798,303.54
Accounts Receivable	\$923,317.37
Inventory	\$436,636.22
Fixed Assets	\$1,715,941.75
TOTAL ASSETS	\$3,874,198.88
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	\$24,679.22
Long Term Debt	\$715,951.76
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$740,630.98
EQUITY	
Retained Earnings	\$1,478,693.78
Net Assets	\$1,654,874.12
TOTAL EQUITY	\$3,133,567.90

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Agency Spotlight

International AIDS Empowerment

The **International AIDS Empowerment Food Pantry** provides nutritionally balanced groceries for people and families affected by HIV/AIDS. Currently the pantry serves 500 individuals weekly. It is a 14-year old not-for-profit organization whose mission is to improve the quality of life for people living with HIV/AIDS regionally, nationally and internationally and to reduce the incidence of new infections through education, outreach, and testing.



Mobile Pantries Deliver

Mobile food pantries provide emergency food in some of the poorest communities of the County. They help EPFH meet its goal of providing basic human needs for food and a safety net for individuals and families in crisis.

Now in its sixteenth year, the EPFH mobile pantry program targets those geographical areas in El Paso County unserved or underserved by community food pantries and other meal service programs. These areas are termed "food deserts" where factors such as limited access to transportation, extreme poverty, distance to a grocery store, and lack of a local pantry contribute to marked food insecurity.

The mobile pantry program distributed 514,000 pounds of food in 2014 to 20,500 households at 99 locations. Between 100 and 500 individuals are served at a typical mobile food pantry. The program has been generously supported by the United Way of El Paso County, through community contributions to its Community Impact Fund. It has also received funding from the Paso del Norte Health Foundation.





Stamp Out Hunger delivers

Stamp Out Hunger is a nation-wide drive to collect food for local food banks. It is organized by USPS letter carriers--who placed collection bags in mailboxes which were picked up full of donated food. Nationally, it raises 75 million pounds a year, and for EPFH it raised 116,000 pounds of food this year. Locally, the efforts are led by the United Way of El Paso County and the National Association of Letter Carriers branch 505. Other sponsors include YRC (Yellow Roadway Corporation), the AFL-CIO, Teamsters, Campbell's Soup, Val-Pak, Uncle Bob's Self Storage, and the AARP.





"Healthy Over Hungry"

Sierra Providence's "Healthy Over Hungry" cereal drive brought in 6,527 pounds of cereal, enough to fill our truck to capacity, and then some! Thanks to Sierra Providence East, West, and Sierra Providence Medical. Sparks Housing Development Corporation helped load the trucks.

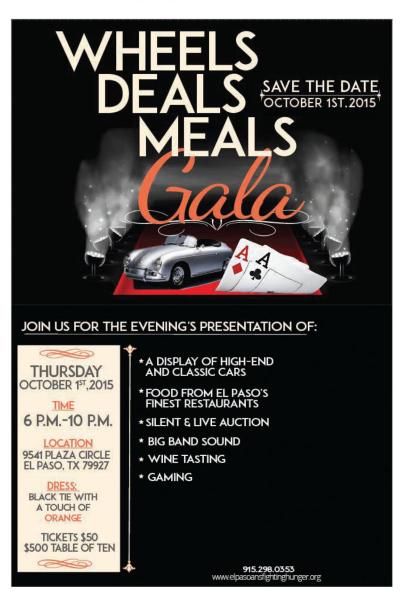


Our mission:

We combat the hunger crisis in our region by strategically procuring and distributing nutritious food through community partners...because no one should go hungry.

Gala, Gala, Gala!

EPFH will be hosting its inaugural Gala, "Wheels Deals Meals" on October 1, 2015 here at the Food Bank. This fund- and friend-raising extravaganza will feature a high-end and classic car show, casino, wine tasting, and food from 15 specialty restaurants. Tickets are \$50 and are available at (915) 298-0353 or order tickets online at elpasoansfightinghunger.org.



State Line Summer Music Series

The popular State Line Restaurant "Rudolph Chevrolet-Honda-Mazda-VW Free Live Music Series" concluded on August 26, after having given 20 concerts in 2015. EPFH is the chosen beneficiary of the series, and since its inception ten years ago, it has raised more than 10,000 pounds of food and thousands of dollars for us. The music series offers a showcase of music from rockabilly to traditional country, including nationally known country bands and up-and-coming artists.



Have you toured EPFH?

Executive Director Janie Sinclair says that the favorite part of her job is conducting tours of the food bank. If you are interested in joining a tour, please call us at (915) 298-0353!

Anderson Challenge met!

Some special donors helped EPFH raise the \$20,000 needed to match the generous challenge grant from the Carl C. Anderson Sr. and Marie Jo Anderson Foundation. As a result, EPFH receives another \$20,000 to assist with our backpack/school pantry initiative to help out children at risk of weekend hunger.

Stay Connected! El Pasoans Fighting Hunger makes it easy to stay connected to the Food Bank through our social media channels. You don't want to miss out on our news updates, contests, photos, and videos!





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How many meals? EPFH exceeds national average.

One means that Feeding America uses to monitor outreach to the needy is the **Meal Per Person In Need**, or MPIN for short. At the end of June, 2015, EPFH provided 75.3 meals per person in need in our community, while the national average for all Feeding America food banks is 69. This demonstrates the progress that EPFH has made in just a short period of time, more than doubling food distribution in the last three years.



Nutrition Education Coordinator **Maria Llamas** has been implementing various curricula all around the city to improve nutrition behavior in children, adults, and seniors.

Volunteers set record!

We have a record at EPFH...volunteers from the El Paso Chihuahuas Volunteer Pack, Border Patrol Explores Post 887, US Amy 3-6 CAV and Whataburger processed over 17,400 pounds of donated food under 4 hours. Thank you to all those who came in and gave of their time.



Social Services Outreach

Evan Baumann is the new EPFH Social Service Outreach Coordinator. In this role, Evan assists clients process SNAP (food stamp) applications, Medicaid, and TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) as well as advising on other HHS programs. "I really enjoy helping needy families who do not have access or do not know who to apply for benefits", said Baumann. "It is rewarding to get a call back from a client thanking me for helping them get the benefits for which they qualify."



Evan counsels a couple on SNAP.