



Jan. 1, 2018 - Dec. 31, 2018

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY NICKI ANN TYSKA

"To engage, educate & empower the East Bay in creating a hunger-free community." Dear Friends,

2018 brought another year of success to the East Bay Food Pantry. The tremendous support from our donors and the community has allowed us to help 2,200 East Bay Residents struggling with food insecurity put food on their table and in their belly's. We continue to make our Access Nutrition initiative a top priority on which we base our program decisions. Providing healthy options such as whole grain breads and pasta, low fat diary and a variety of fresh fruits and vegetables.

The 2018 Status on Hunger showed us how the rising costs of food and lack of increases in wages has affected RI residents.

- Weekly costs of food for a family of four increased 15 % while average weekly earnings increased 5%
  - Fresh produce costs increase a whopping 25%

When living on a fixed income already, set below the poverty level, these increases can dramatically effect food security.

One of our newest programs Farm2Pantry was piloted in 2018. We leased a 3/4-acre plot of farm land and planted and harvested over 6,300 lbs. of produce. The produce was distributed to our clients during their weekly and monthly pantry visits. East Bay Food Pantry received the Loni McGrath Community Garden award from Rhode Island Community Food Bank for our efforts in making this program a success. We received 106,387 pounds of fresh produce in 2018 while also spending 96% percent of our food budget on healthy food.

We are provided funding through Grants, Individual donations, Fundraising and our amazing Thrift Shop. In 2018 we received a grant from the Philadelphia Groups, the Late H.F "Gerry" Lenfest, to help us purchase a Box Truck. This truck allows us to go into the community and pick up furniture donation and do neighborhood donation drives. Our Thrift Shop celebrated our most successful year to date bringing in 36% of our yearly income. The donations made to the thrift store are sold at reasonable prices, allowing our clients to purchase items for their family and themselves. This makes them feel as if they are giving back for the food, we provide for them. Our thrift store is open to the public.

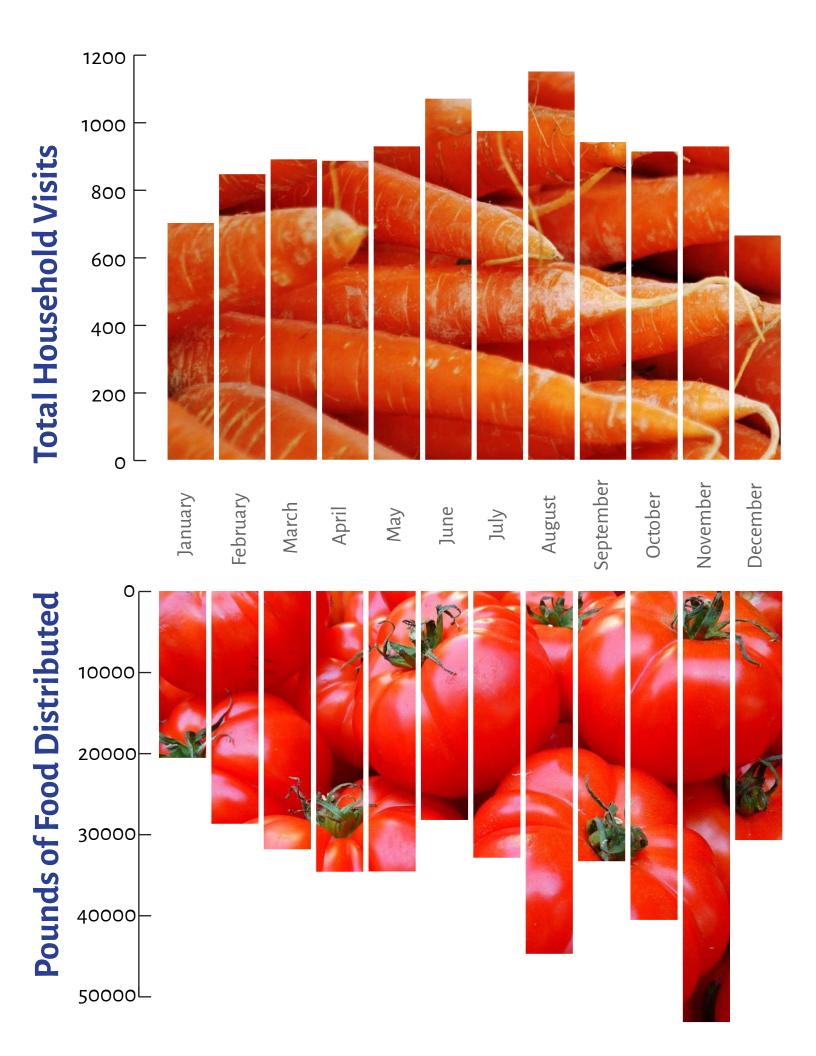
We continue to strive to meet the needs of the communities that we serve. Our dedicated volunteers allow us to provide this service to the East Bay. Volunteers are involved in our daily operations. They work with clients, stock shelves, make mobile food deliveries, sort Thrift Shop donations and help in the office. East Bay Food Pantry would not be able to make the difference we do without the dedication and commitment of our volunteers.

With Sincere Appreciation,

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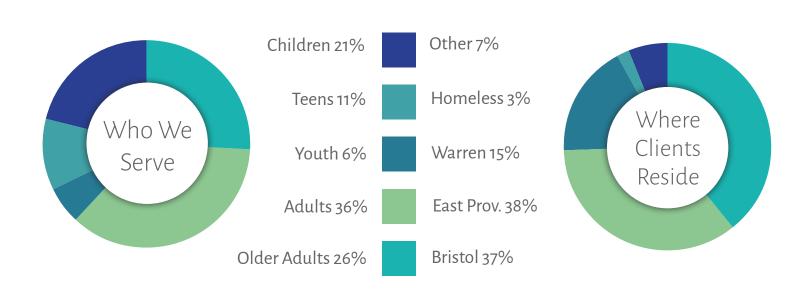
Nicki Ann Tyska Executive Director





## 2018 Statistics

	Total Household Visits	Total Individual Visits	Total Equivalent Meals	Total lbs. of Food Distributed	Active Individuals	New House- holds	Pantry Visits	FFF Visits	Mobile Pantry
January	752	1450	15,032	20,184	2,392	24	342	310	10
February	865	1655	16,402	29,750	2,395	13	370	406	10
March	882	1677	15,821	32,360	2,369	20	329	462	10
April	883	1702	16,254	35,164	2,377	18	345	432	10
May	928	1762	16,799	35,347	2,360	26	367	457	10
June	1101	2086	18,791	28,175	2,382	28	356	602	10
July	987	1990	18,013	33,703	2,408	17	319	509	10
August	1147	2248	20,615	44,806	2,379	26	382	621	11
September	946	1895	17,502	33,447	2,358	19	359	484	10
October	927	1886	18,148	39,017	2,296	23	378	446	12
November	936	1942	22,729	55,134	2,240	24	412	422	12
December	635	1267	16,448	29,204	2,228	15	320	252	12
TOTAL	10,989	21,560	212,554	416,291	2,228	253	4,279	5,403	77



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No one on the Board receives compensation.

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# History

East Bay Food Pantry (EBFP) and its companion Thrift Shop were established in response to a growing need for assistance in the Easy Bay community that was identified by Bristol's First Congregational Church.

With support for the East Bay Community Development Corporation, state legislators, HUD, and the Town of Bristol, space was secured on the ground level of the Franklin Court Assisted Living Building on Wood Street in Bristol (rent and utility free). Over 200 volunteers, including professionals in the construction trades, spent over 3,000 hours cleaning, painting and preparing the space for the August 2009 opening.

The East Bay Food Pantry began serving the community in August 2009, and received 501c3 status in December 2009. The EBFP is a RI Community Food Bank Member Agency, having met stringent training and compliance requirements. Clients from the East Bay area are served free of charge at the Food Pantry. The Thrift Shop is open to the public from Wednesday to Saturday, with the Thrift Shop proceeds used to support our food programs.



### Mission

"To engage, educate & empower the East Bay in creating a hunger-free community."

Food is available to anyone in need in the East Bay. Our "client choice" food programs are all grounded in our Access Nutrition Initiative, providing healthy food choices and nutrition education to address inequalities of access to healthy foods. We strive to provide a consistent inventory of whole grain foods, fruits and vegetables, and high-quality protein and dairy items.

## **Programs**

#### **Access Nutrition Initiative**

We are working to build nutrition consciousness into the culture of EBFP. Our goal is to consistently offer whole grains, a wide variety of fruits and vegetables, and high quality protein and dairy items to our clients who rely on EBFP to supplement their food needs. In addition to nutritious foods, our Access Nutrition Initiative also offers educational opportunities to our clients, volunteers, and staff through workshops, cooking classes, targeted food tastings, and printed materials. We are energized by the real potential for positive impact this initiative can make in the lives of some of the most vulnerable RI families.

#### Food4Kids

Many low-income children receive free or reduced-price breakfast and lunch through the National School Lunch Program when they are going to school. Often this program provides a major portion of the nutrients that the children receive. However, over weekends and school vacations, children lose access to this important source of food, setting up roadblocks to the learning process. The Food4Kids program is designed to fill the nutrition gap and make sure children can get the nutritious meals they need. Over the summer this program provides families with food to make 5 nutritious breakfasts, lunches, and snacks for their children each week. During the school year, the program provides food to make breakfasts, lunches, and snacks for each weekend, with additional food provided over school vacations. While this program is designed to fill the needs of children participating in the National School Lunch Program, any client child 17 or younger is eligible. In accordance with our Access Nutrition Initiative, the program focuses on nutritious foods such as eggs, low-fat milk, yogurt, whole grains, and fresh fruit.

Food4Kids hours are every Friday, 10am-noon during the summer; or the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month, 10am-noon during the school year. Clients may shop weekly during the summer and twice monthly during the school year.

#### **Food Pantry**

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#### **Fresh Food Fridays**

We offer fresh food (produce, bread, etc.) to our clients every Friday. In an effort to encourage our clients to incorporate more fresh foods into their diets, clients may shop every week if they wish. Although this is a year-round program, we make a special effort to partner with local farms and gardeners to provide local, seasonal produce during the growing season. We are committed to getting produce and bread to our clients in its freshest and most nutritious state. Fresh Food Friday hours are Fridays, 10am-3pm. Clients may shop weekly.



#### **Holiday Food Bags**

In November and December, EBFP provides extra food for the holidays. Each client who shops at the food pantry during these months receives a bag with special holiday foods at the time of their visit. No advance registration is required.

## Commodity Supplemental Food Program

Without proper nutrients, seniors are at risk of increased disability, decreased resistance to infections, deteriorating mental health, longer hospital stays, and chronic diseases such as diabetes.

The Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) is a federal nutrition program for low-income seniors age 60 and over that works to improve their health by supplementing their diets with nutritious USDA foods. We are proud to be a distribution site for this program, which is offered in cooperation with the RI Community Food Bank, the Department of Elderly Affairs, and the US Department of Agriculture.

Registered seniors can receive a supplemental box of nutritious food once a month.

#### **Mobile Pantry**

Homebound individuals facing foodinsecurity have particular challenges meeting their nutritional needs. Their food choices are limited not only by the cost of healthy, high-quality food, but also by their lack of mobility. Poor nutrition can exacerbate chronic diseases, worsen disabilities, decrease resistance to infection, and cause a deterioration of mental health.

We developed our Mobile Pantry Program to help alleviate this inequality of access to healthy foods. Homebound individuals who need food assistance can receive a monthly delivery of groceries for themselves and any dependents, including fresh produce, milk, eggs, whole grain bread, eggs, meat, and other healthy foods, as well as personal care products. Participants have the opportunity to indicate the foods they want and need each month in advance of their delivery. Mobile Pantry food is delivered on select

Thursday afternoons.



### Donors

#### \$1-\$500

426 Fitness Aidan's Pub Anchor Toffee AR Workshop Bristow Blackstone Caterers

Blithewold Mansion, Gardens

& Arboretum

Bowen's Wharf Pilot House Bristol House of Pizza **Bristol Total Fitness** C & R Mercantile

Circle Line Sightseeing Yachts, Inc

Clavin-Rein Household Coffee Depot

Common Pub & Grille **Edible Arrangements** 

Eskimo King Goglia's Market Gracie's

Harbor Bath and Body Harbor Integrative Health Hazelton Golf Club

Healthtrax

Jacky's Galaxie Bristol

Johnson's Roadside Farm Market

Kate & Company La Gondola Sogni Lauren's Restaurant Le Central

Morenzi Household Newport Polo

Newport Restaurant Group

O'Leary Household

Our Lady of Mt Carmel School

Pomodoro Pizzeria

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Providence River Boat Company Quito's Seafood Restaurant & Bar

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& Energy Services Inc Swansea Country Club

Swansea Spa The Beach House The Cookie lar

The Cove Restaurant & Marina

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Wharf Tavern Oakley Household Robinson Household Colella Household **DuPont Household** TPI Composites Inc Albu Household

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Manchester Household

Patterson Household Ramos Household Reynolds Household Spinard Household

Turner Household Vincent Household

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#### \$501-\$1000

America's Charities
La Bella Sicilia Society
Alayne White Spa
Fitting Household
First Congregational Church
Jade Engineered Plastics
Griffith Household
Magaziner Household
Blue Cross Blue Shield of RI
Braga Household
Bristol Fourth of July Committee
Brito Household
East Bay Printing & Copying

Extensions School of Dance
Farrell Household
Full Circle Recycling
JMJ Construction Co, Inc
John Clarke Trust
Raiola Household
StrategicPoint Investment
Advisors, LLC
Union Mutual Fire Insurance
Water Way Farm
Wilkes Household

#### Over \$1000

Dodd Household Dauterive Household Molloy-Calia Household Sousa Household First Baptist Church of Bristol Dyer Household Colby Household Hassenfeld Household RI Community Food Bank McCumber Household **Episcopal Charities Fund** Town of Bristol Andrade Household Constantino & Orban Household St Michael's Church Lenmarine, Inc O'Hanian-Szostak Family Foundation Sackett Household Tri-Mack Plastics Mfg Corp Ahold Financial Services Horton Fund Ocean State Charities Trust Billy Andrade-Brad Faxon Charities for Children Graciecam Foundation Inc. Martin Household Bristol Health Equity Zone Rhode Island Foundation BankNewport Carter Household

Bristol Home for Aged Women

## **Grants & Foundations**

Bristol Rotary \$500

Robert | Avila Foundation \$500

RI House of Representatives \$500

Stop & Shop Corp \$500

John Clarke Trust \$1,000

Blue Cross Blue Shield RI \$1,000

Bristol Children's Home Fund \$1,100

RI Community Food Bank \$1,500

Bristol RWU FCA Grant \$1,500

Herbert E. Sackett Charitable Trust \$1,500

Hassenfeld Family Foundation \$1,500

Episcopal Charities Fund of RI \$2,000

RI Emergency Food/Shelter \$2,800

Bristol Female Charitable Society \$3,000

Horton Fund \$3,500

Santander \$5,000

Basic Human Needs \$5,000

Andrade Faxon Charities for Children \$5,000

Ocean State Charities Trust \$4,500

Joseph Martin Trust \$5,000

BankNewport \$7,000

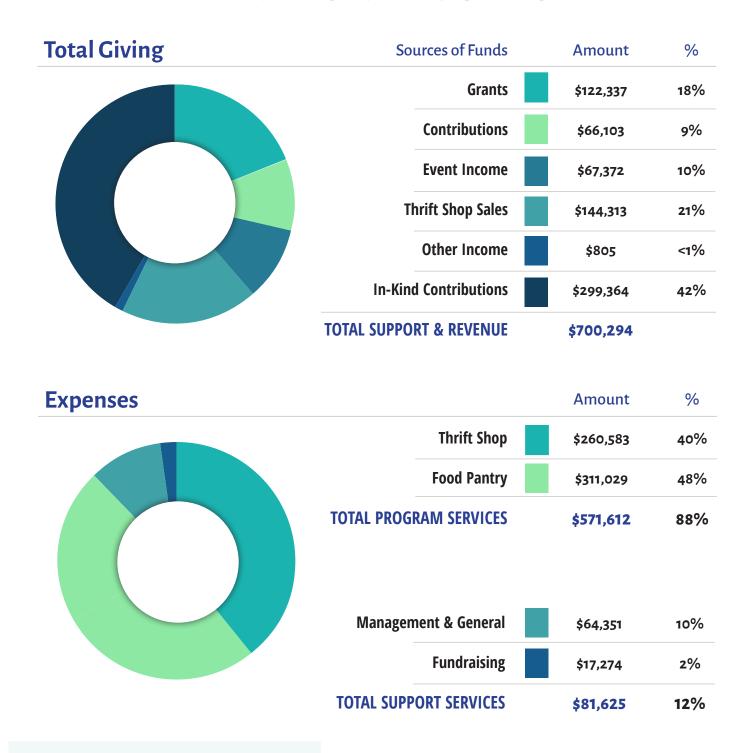
Carter Family Donor Advised Fund \$15,000

Philadelphia Foundation - H.F. Lenfest Fund \$20,000

Bristol Home for Aged Women \$36,000



## **Financial Review**



### **Change in Total Net Assets**

January 1st, 2018	\$496,854		
December 31st, 2018	\$538,376		
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$41,522		

"Due to EBFP no one will go hungry or starve, folks will always have access to food." -8yr. old EBFP client