



2022

ANNUAL REPORT

The Power of Community

The COVID-19 pandemic revealed just how resilient we are as a community.

You showed great compassion by partnering with West Suburban Community Pantry (WSCP) to ensure no one would go hungry during what we thought would be our most difficult season. However, our resilience continues to be tested.

We look back on 2022 as a year of transition to a post-COVID era of inflation and greater need than we've ever seen. Every gift you gave this year was deeply appreciated, and, thanks to your support, we are ready to rise to meet new challenges.

Here is what we accomplished in 2022, thanks to the power of community and people like you.



FY 2022 IMPACT

65,208

people facing hunger

24,094

children



1.9 million pounds of food
distributed to our neighbors in need, including:

444,553

pounds of fruits
and vegetables

262,437

pounds of eggs
and dairy

219,092

pounds
of meat

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES: MORE THAN FOOD

Emergency supplies are not a long-term solution for the more complex challenges that bring customers to us.

In 2022, we began enhancing our supportive services.

We learn each individual's situation and provide tailored one-time or ongoing support and tools to help them achieve financial and emotional independence.

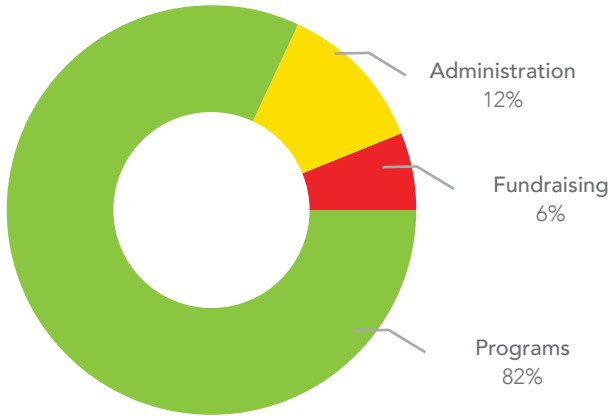


THIS YEAR, WE HELPED:

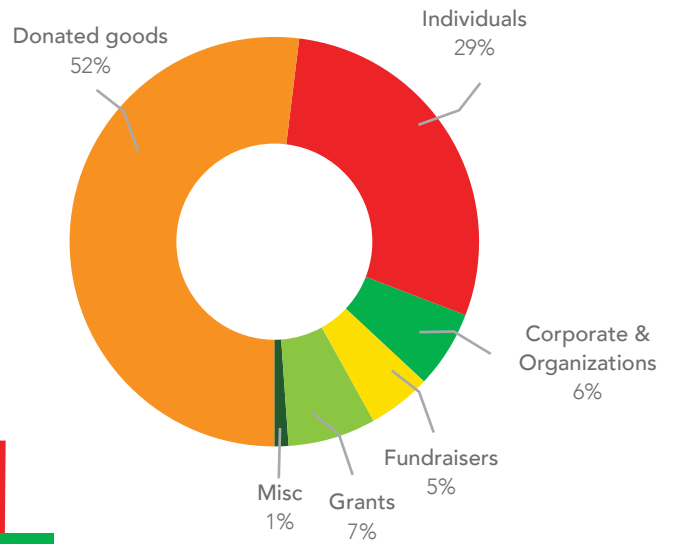
- **30 families** navigate the application process for governmental assistance programs, including SNAP (food stamps) and LIHEAP (utility bill relief).
- **108 families** find additional resources (including mental health services) at other community organizations.
- **29 families** build skills through health, nutrition, job readiness and financial literacy classes.
- **479 families** receive other, individualized support services.

"Just the fact that we know there is help in the community and that we are not alone, it is an awesome experience. Thank you very much from the bottom of our hearts!" —WSCP customer

HOW WE SPEND OUR FUNDS



WHERE OUR FOOD AND FUNDS COME FROM



VIRTUAL FOOD PANTRY: MOVING INTO THE COMMUNITY

The Virtual Food Pantry, launched in 2021, makes it easier for people facing tough times to make ends meet by ordering free groceries online. **More than 3,106 orders were filled in 2022.**

Thanks to generous grant funders and our donors, **the Virtual Food Pantry expands WSCP's presence** directly in the communities where many of our customers live.

We now have pickup locations at:

- 1 **WSCP Food Pantry**
6809 Hobson Valley Drive, Suite 118, Woodridge, IL
- 2 **New Hope Baptist Church**
509 E Briarcliff Road, Bolingbrook IL
- 3 **White Oak**
201 W Normantown Road, Romeoville
- 4 **B.J. Ward Elementary School**
200 Recreation Drive, Bolingbrook, IL

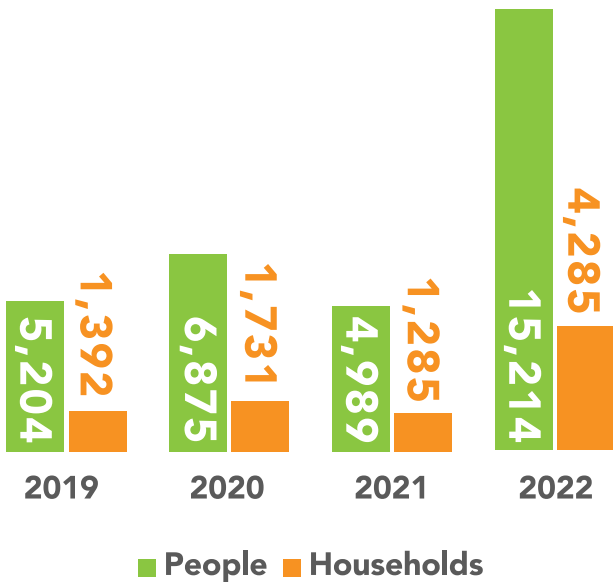
“The first box I received made me cry. I was overwhelmed with gratitude because of the healthy and different choices of food and snacks received. It was different than other food pantries I tried.” —WSCP Virtual Food Pantry customer



LOOKING TO THE FUTURE: A GREATER NEED

Today, we provide hunger relief to more people than ever. We need your help to cover the increasing costs. If you would like to give, go to wscpantry.org.

NEIGHBORS SERVED



COST OF FOOD

A box of pancake syrup, strawberry jelly, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, macaroni and cheese, rice, canned fruit, peanut butter, oatmeal, and applesauce cost:



“Thank you for providing us with products to feed our families in these hard times. Hopefully soon we are back on our feet, and we will find a way to pay all this help forward.” —WSCP customer

POWERFUL PARTNERSHIPS

We believe in this community and the ability of every person in it to contribute their unique skills and passions. With your help, we can make people feel seen and empower them to move toward self-sufficiency and confidence. Thank you for bringing hope to people in difficult times.



OUR MISSION

The West Suburban Community Pantry offers food for the hungry and resources to empower persons to improve their quality of life.

OUR VISION

A community without hunger

OUR VALUES

- We are compassionate.
- We are people-focused.
- We have a "can do" spirit.
- We operate with integrity.
- We are visionary.



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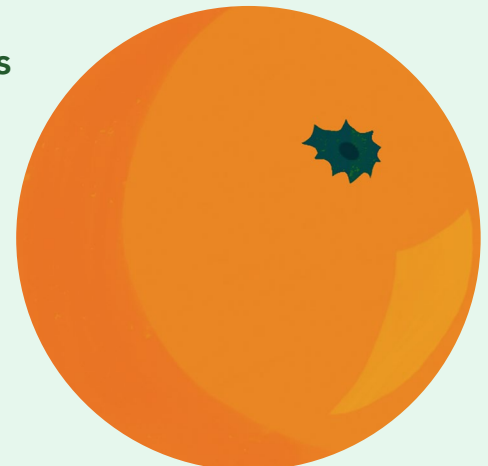
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Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.

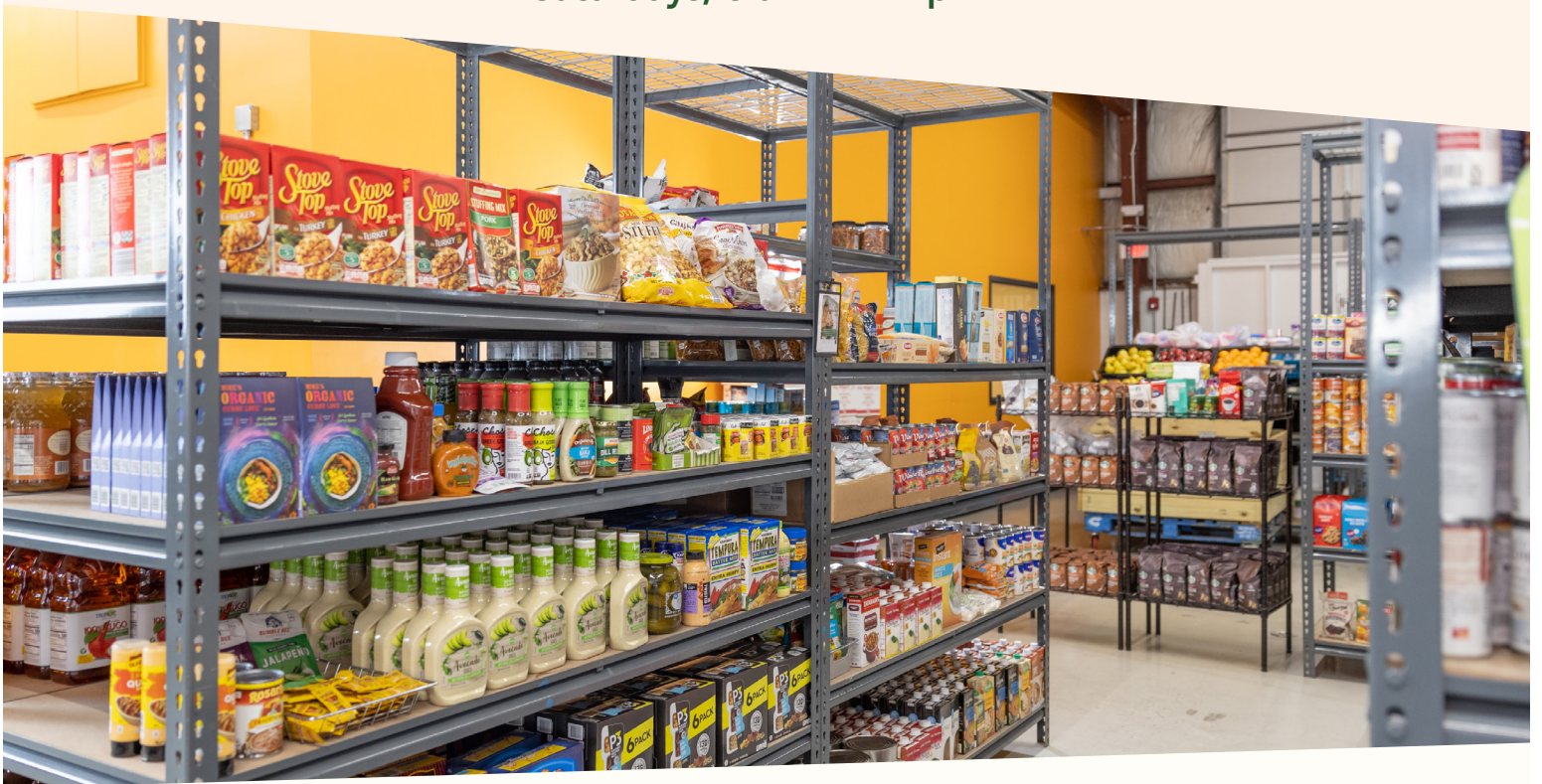
Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., 5-7:30 p.m.

Saturdays, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

DONATIONS ACCEPTED

Mondays-Fridays, 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Saturdays, 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.



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