



Regional Food Bank

*...a community facility dedicated to improving
the lives of those we serve by ending hunger*



*Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day.
Teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime.*

CCA Regional Food Bank

2010-2011 Fiscal Year Overview

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The CCA Regional Food Bank serves all areas of Clatsop County through the distribution of nutritional food products and household items to our Partner Agencies (PA's) and their affiliate branches. The products we distribute consist of dry grocery, fresh produce, frozen meats, dairy items, bakery products, household products, and a wide variety of frozen foods.

Distribution through our PA's is based on donated or purchased food items that are ultimately packed into emergency food boxes at pantries, offering three to five day's supply of nutritionally balanced meals for families. The same nutritional food is also distributed to Shelters, Hot Meal Sites, Back Pack Programs, Meals on Wheels Programs and other supplemental feeding programs for the preparation and serving of nutritional meals at those locations or at homes.

Our new regional food bank facility has dramatically increased our ability to repackage many bulk food items in our modern volunteer activity center, also called the *“repack room”*.

By procuring food in bulk we are saving money at the point of purchase. This allows us to procure up to ten times the food with the same dollar as purchasing pre-packed retail size products. CCA Regional Food Bank volunteers repackage the food into consumer size packages. The packages are safely sealed and labeled with ingredient, and nutritional information. Applicable products also display cooking instruction on the packages. Most products are then sealed in 12 to 24 unit master cases and sent through our distribution process to feed hungry people in Clatsop County.

During our most recent fiscal year, the CCA Regional Food Bank and it's network of Partner Agencies distributed a combined total of 1,081,544 pounds of emergency food. CCA Regional Food Bank is the only food bank in Clatsop County, serving Partner Agencies and their recipients from all communities.



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Affiliations and Funding

The CCA Regional Food Bank has access to Feeding America's programs through its affiliation with Oregon Food Bank; and in fact, we serve as one of 20 regional food banks in the state of Oregon and Clark County, Washington to comprise the Oregon Food Bank Network. We receive USDA commodity products, and in turn distribute them to qualifying emergency food distribution agencies at no cost. We also receive fresh produce items, also distributed to all agencies at no cost. Many varieties of other food products, both donated and purchased, are procured through these affiliations and other sources and are supplied at no cost or low cost to agencies. We work with statewide donors such as Fred Meyer and Safeway, and other local food industry donors, like the Astoria Cooperative; where we receive donated or recovered food products through our Fresh Alliance program. These products consist primarily of meats, eggs, produce, dairy products and bakery products. Other sources of support come from private, business and organization donations of food or funds, as well as United Way of Clatsop County. Astoria Pacific Seafood, Friends of Clatsop County Community Gardens, and Fishhawk Fisheries also donated fresh fish or garden vegetables. This year, we look forward to cultivating relationships with new donors and community leaders in our fight to end hunger.

We are active in both statewide and local food drives and gleaning efforts when available. In the last fiscal year, we conducted fifty five food drives to gather food to distribute to our agencies. We are also active in pet food drives. Knowing the comfort and security that a family pet offers our families we attempt to help them acquire pet food and supplies in an effort to take pressure off their food budget so they may use personal resources for people food.



Responsibilities

The responsibilities of CCA Food Bank include the procurement, acquisition and receiving of deliveries at our Distribution Center warehouse as well as picking up donated or purchased products with our food bank delivery trucks. Products are received into our perpetual inventory system and order guides are produced for our Partner Agencies. After the orders are placed by agencies, they are picked and staged for pick-up by each agency or delivery to their facility. In addition to pre-selected orders, agencies may visit the warehouse daily to shop the Fresh Alliance items and produce received daily at our warehouse.

As a Partner Distributing Organization of Feeding America, the nation's Food Bank through Oregon Food Bank, CCA Food Bank is responsible to monitor the operations of each of our Partner Agency members to insure that all food is stored, handled and distributed to recipients in a wholesome and safe manner.

We insure high sanitation standards at each agency, distribution methods, record keeping, confidentiality and friendly, courteous service in a non-discriminatory fashion through our Partner Agencies in Clatsop County. Quarterly meetings and training, such as annual Civil Rights Classes, are offered to all volunteers or staff of Partner Agencies at no charge to anyone.



41 % of the recipients of emergency food in Clatsop County are children.

Facts

In our 2010-2011 fiscal year CCA Food Bank Network distributed a record breaking 1,081,544 pounds of food through our Partner Agency outlets. That food accommodated the production of 16,433 emergency food boxes that converted into approximately 492,990 individual home cooked meals for recipients of emergency food box assistance.

In addition, 258,902 meals were supplied through Emergency Shelters, Hot Meal Sites and supplemental feeding agencies. 25% of the residents of Clatsop County qualified for emergency food assistance.

Of those who received emergency food in Clatsop County last year, a staggering 41 % were children and 20% were seniors.

We also served over 600 people through our Personal Care (Free Store) Pantry services at our 9th and Duane office site.

Last years increase in the distribution of emergency food was again above the prior year, and we are now distributing more than double the amount from just four years ago. The distribution of emergency food in our county continues to increase at disturbingly high rates. The down turn in the local economy has brought many new faces, from all walks of life, to receive services for the first time in their lives.



Projects and Achievements

Our 2010-2011 fiscal year food program volunteers numbered 9,549 volunteers, giving 55,453 hours of their time throughout our network of Partner Agencies and here at CCA and the CCA Food Bank. A new volunteer group called the “Friends of the CCA Regional Food Bank” was formed as a think tank committee and project support group for the Food Bank. New members are being sought for fresh ideas and project volunteerism.

We partnered in the production of this year’s county-wide Christmas Basket program. Approximately 1310 baskets of food were distributed and gifts for 1023 children were donated. The pick up or delivery of these baskets was spread over a four day period of time with a delivery rate to recipients of over 94%. CCA Food Bank formed a calling tree up until Christmas Eve to insure delivery to families.

We partnered with organizations in our community, such as Oregon State University Extension, local churches, Friends of Clatsop County Community Garden Association, Clatsop Realtors Association, North Coast Food Web and In-Line Groups to further educate the community on hunger issues and create sustainability for the residents.

We added new agencies to our network of Partner Agencies, increasing food capacity to hungry families, with focus on seniors and children programs.

Our Food Bank worked with the North Coast Fred Meyer, Astoria Safeway, Franz Bread Co. and Astoria Co-Op to expand the Fresh Alliance program which now includes fresh produce items, frozen food items and more bakery items in the list of products available to us. We are also now able to glean the Fred Meyer and Safeway “store brand” items when available. 61 food drives were conducted during the year, and several fund raisers, such as the Pacific Northwest Brew Cup, Stuff the Truck, and the first Coastal Harvest of Giving event assisted our outreach programs.

Because of the help of organizations in the fishing industry we have expanded our distribution of fresh fish. This year’s Oregon Tuna Classic brought over 2,300 pounds of fresh whole tuna for us to distribute, a rare treat for many of our recipients. Volunteers from the fishing industry were on hand to help process and package the tuna fresh off the boats.

Our biggest accomplishment of the year was the construction of a new Food Distribution Center. The final stages of construction are now finished, and operations in the 10,498 square foot building are well underway. Due to increased costs in construction and difficult economic times; we fell short of our goal to fully fund the construction, creating an inevitable mortgage that we will face. This needed facility is designed to fulfill the distribution process for emergency food in Clatsop County for the next 25 to 30 years.

CCA Regional Food Bank trucks dock at the new food bank, unloading assorted food from the annual “Stuff the Truck” food drive, conducted at Fred Meyer and Safeway stores.



Fishhawk Fisheries donated the space for processing this year’s tuna at their Astoria facility.

TO DONATE FOOD:

The CCA Regional Food Bank accepts food donations at all times. Please contact us at (503) 861-FOOD (3663) or, via e-mail at foodbank@ccaservices.org to make arrangements.

What to donate:

The best foods to donate are canned meats (i.e., tuna, chicken and salmon), canned and boxed meals (i.e., soup, chili, stew, macaroni and cheese), peanut butter, canned or dried beans and peas (i.e., black, pinto, lentils), pasta and pasta sauces, rice, cereal, canned fruits & 100% fruit juice (canned, plastic or boxed).

What not to donate:

Rusty or unlabeled cans, perishable items, homemade items, noncommercial canned or packaged items, alcoholic beverages, out of date items & open or used items. Please note: If donations are in glass, please box or bag them separately and label the box or bag "GLASS" on all sides.

TO DONATE FUNDS

Every dollar donated allows us to purchase about 6 lbs of food through the national or state food bank network. Donations are accepted year round. Your \$25 contribution provides enough food for 115 meals; \$100 will supply food for 460 meals for hungry people in Clatsop County. And it helps fund programs that address the root causes of hunger.

Please mail all donations to the address on the bottom of this page.

Please make all checks payable to CCA Regional Food Bank. All donations are tax deductible and a receipt of your donation will be mailed to you.

TO HOST A FOOD DRIVE

Food drives provide some of the healthiest & highest-quality food we receive. Roughly 14% of food donations come from food drives. CCA Regional Food Bank heartily applauds the amazing community members who coordinate food and fund drives at work sites, schools, churches and temples, service clubs, professional organizations and more. Food donations can also be dropped at the food bank warehouse between 8am and 12pm Monday through Friday at the address below.

Do you want help organizing a Food Drive?

Download our Food & Fund Drive Kit at www.ccaservices.org

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Ask us about volunteer opportunities!

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*2010 Weathering the Storm Food Drive
Columbia River Maritime Museum*



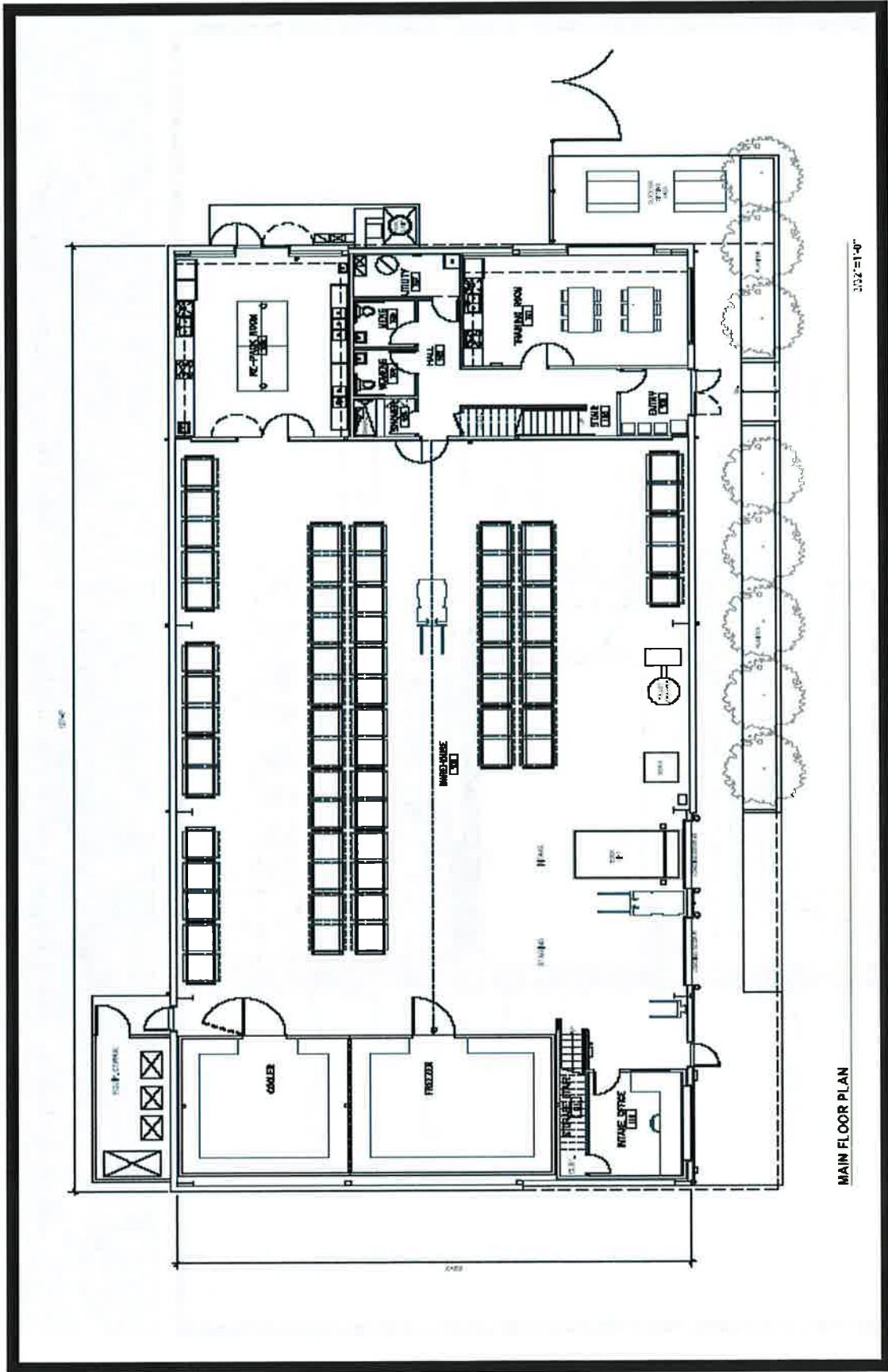
2010 National Association of Letter Carrier's Food Drive



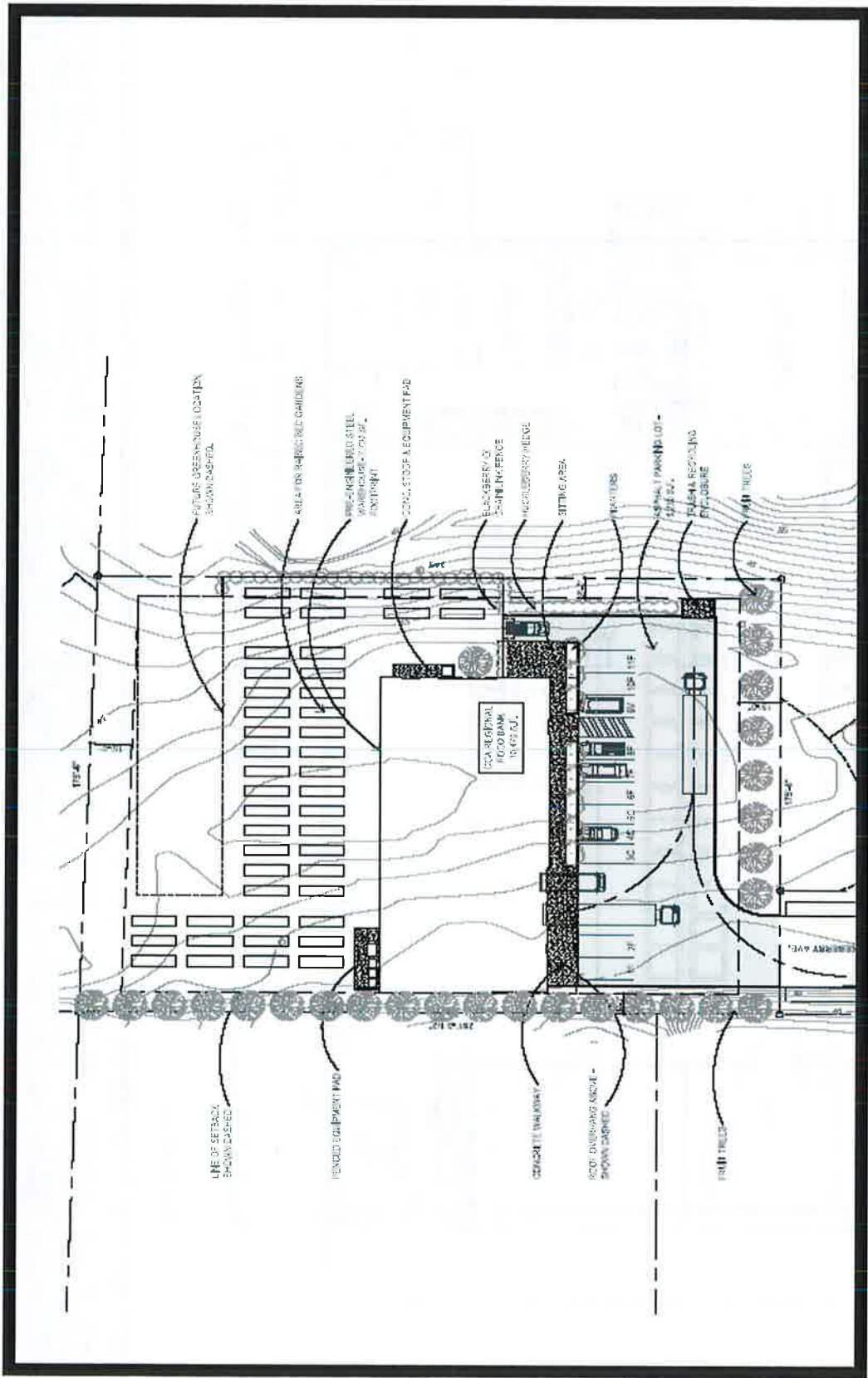
Food Drives and Fund Raising Events are conducted year-round in order to supplement the cost of operating the food bank. Please call to schedule a food drive.



*Architectural rendering of the new CCA Regional Food Bank Distribution Center
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Completed: October 19, 2009
Everyone is welcome to visit us*



Interior Floor Plan offers much needed room for refrigerated and frozen capacity; as well as overhead storage rack for dry groceries and non-food items.



Future plans include raised outdoor garden beds and an area for enclosed gardening greenhouses. This is part of the plans to teach and implement programs of sustainability for emergency food recipients in Clatsop County.

Partner Agencies supported by

CCA Regional Food Bank:

Astoria Rescue Mission-Men's Shelter
Astoria Rescue Mission—Women and Children's Shelter
Calvary Assembly of God Kid's Ministries
Cannon Beach Back Pack Program
Cannon Beach Food Pantry
CCA Personal Care Pantry
Clatsop Emergency Food Bank (Pantry)
Community Christmas Basket Programs
Coast Rehabilitation Services:
Beach House
Gearhart Ranch
Harbor Villas
Heron Cove
Marina Vista
Seaside House
Surf Pines House
Taylor House
Liberty Lodge
Pacific Place
Sunset House
Grace Food Pantry
Grace Community Dinner
Head Start
Knappa Food Pantry
Loaves and Fishes
Manna House Pantry
North Coast Food Web
Ocean Park Food Bank (Pantry)
Our Lady of Victory Sunday Supper
Women's Resource Center / Pioneer House
Restoration House
River Song Foundation
South County Food Bank (Pantry)
Saint Vincent de Paul Food Pantry / Astoria
Saint Vincent de Paul Food Pantry / Gearhart
Seaside Heights Elementary Back Pack Program
Warrenton Builders' Club Back Pack Program
Warrenton Food Bank (Pantry)
Warrenton Senior Citizens, Inc
Warrenton Meals on Wheels
Seaside Meals on Wheels
Astoria Meals on Wheels
West-Davies Farm