

Having trouble viewing this email? [Click here](#)



Hunger Shouldn't Be an Option



Donor Spotlight: David Brinn

For volunteer David Brinn, it's all about the people. When David moved back to Pittsburgh from Jacksonville, Florida, he was looking to get involved in the community. He heard about the Pantry from a friend, and he has been faithfully volunteering three times a week since November. Patrons have gotten to know and love David. One woman gives him a hug every time she comes in!

David is glad he volunteers for an organization that does so much for the community.

"I enjoy it mostly because of the great appreciation of all the people who come in for food. Last week, a pregnant woman came in for the first time... and she was given a very generous amount of food. She was so appreciative for every single thing she was able to take. It's such a nice thing to be able to help people in this way."

We are truly appreciative to have such a dedicated volunteer like David. His efforts are proof of what a difference just one person can make in the lives of many. On behalf of everyone here at the Pantry: Thank you to David and our many other staunch volunteers for the time, dedication and heart you put into helping those who, without our help, would struggle with hunger.

August 2011

In This Issue

[Donor Spotlight: David Brinn](#)

[The Pantry says goodbye to one of its own](#)

[Back to School Food Drive](#)

[DONATE PERIOD to our feminine product drive](#)

[Donating to the Pantry](#)

[Calling all volunteers](#)

For every \$18 you donate, the Squirrel Hill Community Food Pantry can purchase \$72 of food for clients.

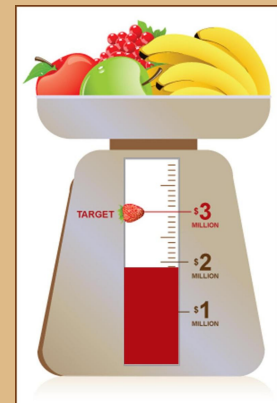
Donate Now
Secure donations through
Network for Good

The Pantry says goodbye to one of our own

Merci Beaucoup, Lindsay!

Lindsay Stewart has been a mainstay at the SHCFP for the past four years helping clients with their supplemental food needs, scheduling and directing volunteers and literally picking up tons of food donations in the community. Lindsay joined the staff of the Pantry first as a Public Allies AmeriCorps Volunteer and was later hired as the SHCFP Coordinator. After four years of hard work with us, Lindsay will be leaving at the end of August to study abroad in Paris, France.

Endowment Campaign
at \$1.9 million and
growing!



Create a legacy to end hunger in our community. Establish an endowment or make a charitable bequest to help ensure we can continue to provide food and supportive services to our community's most



During Lindsay's four years with the SHCFP, she:

- Helped to distribute 644,727 pounds of food to people in need
- Planned and implemented the Big Yellow Barrel Food Drive Campaign in the community
- Coordinated the efforts of over 1,110 volunteers to complete our mission

If you are volunteering in August, don't miss your chance to say good bye to Lindsay! And if you aren't scheduled and just want to stop by the Pantry to say farewell, please do!

Please join me in wishing Lindsay, au revoir et ont une merveilleuse année! (That's "goodbye and have a great year" in French!)

Bon voyage,
Becky

vulnerable. Contact [Barry Rude](#), our development officer, at 412.422.7200 for more information.



Become our fan on Facebook.

Squirrel Hill Community Food Pantry



Would you like to know what's happening at the Pantry's parent organization, [JF&CS](#)?

Signup for our brief [newsletter](#) and get JF&CS news delivered weekly to your inbox.

[Join Our Mailing List!](#)

Back to School Food Drive

As the new school year approaches, we're looking for foods that parents can add to their children's snacks or lunches. Buying lunch at school can be very expensive, so it's important that parents are able to provide healthy meals for their kids without breaking their budgets! Any of the following foods would provide yummy meals for kids that are also good for them:

- Canned fruit
- Granola bars
- Whole grain crackers
- Peanut butter
- Jelly & jam
- Nuts
- Apple Sauce
- Dried fruits or fruit snacks
- Individual fruit cups

Thank you for your continued support. We hope you'll help us to provide families food for their children's favorite subject of the day: lunch!

DONATE PERIOD to our feminine product drive

The Pantry is asking for donations of pads, tampons, and liners for our clients as part of our DONATE PERIOD campaign. Feminine

products are expensive and cannot be purchased with SNAP (food stamps) or WIC (federally-funded program for women, infants, and children) benefits. As with many paper goods, feminine products are rarely donated and costly for hunger organizations like ours to purchase. But helping is easy! Spread the word to your friends, family and neighbors, keep us in mind when you are shopping or host your own drive. Remember to be a pad pal and help local women go with the flow!

Donating to the Pantry

What do we need this month? The August Food of the Month is peanut butter. We also need extra donations of non-food products, such as shampoo, dishwashing soap and paper products! You can drop donations off at the Pantry or place them in the yellow donation baskets at the following locations: Tree of Life-Or L'Simcha, Rodef Shalom, Temple Sinai, Adat Shalom, Beth Shalom, Shaare Torah and the Anathan Club.



Remember the Pantry when you're doing your shopping and spot a "Buy one, get one free" - consider keeping one for your family and donating the other! Not sure what foods the Pantry needs? Refer to our [Pantry Shopping List](#).

Another way to donate to the Pantry is through our *Centerpieces for Tzedakah* program. You can rent our food baskets in lieu of flowers as celebration centerpieces and bimah baskets, and your tax-deductible donation helps to feed individuals and families that rely on the Pantry. The baskets are decorated with beautiful bows in the colors of your choice, and each has a card attached acknowledging your support. Some *Centerpieces for Tzedakah* patrons supply their own bows or have their baskets decorated by florists or other party professionals. It's an easy, meaningful way to add significance to your special occasion. [Contact us](#) for more information or to place an order.



Calling all volunteers

Individual volunteers, schools and community groups are vital parts of our Pantry's operation. Prior training is not required for most volunteer opportunities. You only need to be committed and enthusiastic individuals who have some free time and want to help. Children are welcome when accompanied by an adult.

Since many of the duties require multiple people, this is a great opportunity to spend some quality time with your family, friends or group while providing an essential service to our community's most vulnerable.

Many of our volunteer spots are filled through August, but we are currently in need of volunteers for **drop-off recycling** - volunteers with valid driver's licenses to deliver our numerous cardboard boxes to the recycling facility (2-3 volunteers weekly). We also need volunteers with valid driver's licenses to **pick up bread donations** Monday through Friday mornings from Giant Eagle. Any volunteers would be a huge help!

Pantry Hours

Monday: 9:00am - 12:30pm (and 5:00 - 7:00pm by appointment only)
Tuesday: 9:00am - 12:30pm and 1:30 - 3:00pm
Wednesday: 9:00am - 12:30pm
Thursday: 9:00am - 12:30pm and 1:30 - 3:00pm
Friday: 9:00am - 12:30pm
One Sunday a month by appointment only

*Please contact the Pantry at
412-421-2708
for appointments outside of the normal business hours.*

[Forward email](#)



Try it FREE today.

This email was sent to ldaly@jfcspgh.org by info@jfcspgh.org | [Update Profile/Email Address](#) | Instant removal with [SafeUnsubscribe™](#) | [Privacy Policy](#).

Squirrel Hill Community Food Pantry | 828 Hazelwood Avenue | Pittsburgh | PA | 15217