

2005 Honor Roll of Donors and Annual Report

JULY 2005 THROUGH JUNE 2006



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Food Harvest

The Food Bank

Transforming Hunger into Hope™

A Letter to our Friends

This year marks Ozarks Food Harvest's 23rd anniversary. It's been a year of change and growth, fueled by our growing family of supporters. The pages of financial and food supporters in this Honor Role of Donors is positive proof that more citizens than ever are simply not willing to accept hunger as a way of life in our communities.

We have grown from serving 22 charities in 1983 to more than 320 today, and from distributing 90,000 pounds of food in our first year to over 4 million pounds this year. Today, thanks to you, Ozarks Food Harvest reaches an average of 37,000 people in Southwest Missouri each month.

Your support has allowed us to grow our programs as well. Kids Cafe[®], our after-school feeding program, served nearly 170,000 hot evening meals to children this past school year, an increase of 20 percent over last year. This summer we served almost 17,000 lunches to children through the Summer Food Program, so kids who depend on school lunches wouldn't miss out on meals during their summer vacation. *Food for Thought*[™], our innovative program that provides backpacks of food for at-risk children to take home with them over the weekend, has nearly doubled in size over the past year! And participants in Full Circle Gardens, our community garden program for low income families, harvested over a ton of fresh organic produce for their families to eat this year, a record crop!

The Food Bank also changed our look this year, with a new logo that visually expresses our mission. Look for it on our delivery trucks around your community, and on our website and publications. We also distilled our mission statement into four simple words: "Transforming Hunger into Hope[™]."

Moving forward, we're excited to tell you about our newest project, our Mobile Food Pantry. We are partnering with area Rotary Clubs and Ridewell Suspensions for the purchase of a semi-tractor and beverage trailer specifically designed to distribute food directly to people right out of the truck. The new Mobile Food Pantry is just one example of how our family of supporters is helping Ozarks Food Harvest *Transform Hunger Into Hope*[™]!

None of this would be possible without you. These are your accomplishments, and we are grateful for the privilege of your partnership.

Sincerely,



A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Bart Brown".

**Bart Brown,
Executive Director**



A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Michael Mattson".

**Michael Mattson,
Board President**

Honor Roll of Donors

The following individuals, businesses, and foundations made donations to Ozarks Food Harvest from July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006. The Board and staff of Ozarks Food Harvest extend heartfelt thanks and appreciation to all those listed in the following recognition levels for making the 2005/2006 fiscal year highly successful.

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“Ozarks Food Harvest has seen a 44 percent increase in the number of families seeking food assistance in just the last three years. My family and I believe it is essential to our community to support Ozarks Food Harvest.”

— Charlie O'Reilly—

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"The people that are using the food bank ... are not just unemployed, lazy people. My husband sometimes works as much as 72 hours a week.

We're not sitting back and waiting for a handout, but sometimes we need help."

— Emily Benson,
Full Circle Garden™ participant —

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"At my school they are doing this program thingy, only you don't have to pay money. I like the cereal the best.

— Tristan, Food For Thought™ backpack recipient —

"When I go to school next year, will I get a backpack of my own?"

— Amber, Tristan's 5 year old sister—

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“I remember one child in particular. I asked if she and her sister had anything to eat on the weekends while her mother was at work, and her response was, ‘Sometimes we have food in the cabinet to eat.’ My heart dropped. We are blessed by this program.”
 — Karen Kleeman,
 Food for Thought™ School Nurse —

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“WOW! Whoever wrote the grant that filled the front of My Neighbor's Pantry has my thanks and admiration. Our shelves runneth over, thank you very much.
 Ozarks Food Harvest is a blessing to this pantry. We simply could not do the work we do without this place to help us. God bless all of you.”
 —Jan McCabe, My Neighbors Pantry—

If you were omitted from this donor list, or if your name or information is incorrect, please call us. For your privacy and protection, Ozarks Food Harvest has adopted the AFP (Association of Fundraising Professionals) Donor Bill of Rights. If you do not wish your name to be listed in further publications, please let us know.

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Hunger Transformed to Hope, Liz Delany's Story

Liz Delany, morning show co-host on Alice@95.5 radio, spends hours of extra time on the air each year raising money for Ozarks Food Harvest. Liz has a personal dedication to helping the food bank, because she has her own story of hunger.

Liz sought help from a food pantry 15 years ago, and that experience motivates her to work tirelessly on raising awareness about hunger.

"I know what it's like to be hungry. I know what it's like to be poor," Liz said. "And now I know what it's like to give back, and it feels real good."

AFP Donor Bill of Rights

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The Food Bank's Programs

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Food For Thought™

Our Food For Thought™ program provides severely at-risk children with a backpack filled with nutritious, child-friendly foods for them to take home on the weekends, when they might otherwise go hungry. Food For Thought™ is our fastest growing program.



This Year:

- We filled nearly 4,000 backpacks.
- Thanks to our generous supporters, we have expanded the program from eight schools to 17 schools across our service area.



Kids Cafe®

Kids Cafe® is our after-school feeding program that provides hot evening meals to Ozarks children who would otherwise go home to an empty house or an empty dinner plate.

More than 50,000 children in the Ozarks live in poverty, and The Food Bank's children's programs such as Kids Cafe® focus on serving these kids. Ozarks Food Harvest partners with several local nonprofits to operate the Kids Cafe® program at 16 locations across Southwest Missouri.

This Year:

- Your donations served 700-900 children per night, five nights a week in 16 Kids Cafe® locations across Southwest Missouri.

Club F.U.N.™ and the "Power of Choice"

Our Club F.U.N.™ (Fitness, Understanding Health, and Nutrition) is designed to teach children ages 6-9 the importance of fitness and good nutrition. The "Power of Choice" is geared toward children ages 10-13 to teach them the same concepts, along with discussions about why good nutrition is important to their changing bodies.

This Year:

- In August 2005, Club F.U.N.™ won the USDA's Food and Nutrition Service "Summer Sunshine Award" for excellence in summer food service programs that emphasize improved nutrition and physical activities.

This Year Ozarks Food Harvest Distributed:

- More than 3.6 million meals for needy children, families, seniors or individuals.

Full Circle Garden™

Ozarks Food Harvest's Full Circle Garden™ program provides our clients with more than just food. "We teach them things like composting from kitchen waste, using shredded newspaper for mulch, and making fertilizers from household products," said Jacquie Neill, coordinator of the Full Circle Garden™ program.



We provide the gardeners the seeds, plants, fertilizer, mulch, garden space, tools and training they need to produce an average of 125 pounds of fresh organic produce per garden plot. In addition to showing the gardeners how to grow fresh produce, we teach them what nutritional benefits the produce they grow provides, how to prepare meals that include the food they have learned to grow for their families, and kitchen safety and proper food handling skills.

This Year:

- Our garden participants grew 2,716 pounds of fresh organic produce!



Mobile Food Pantry

We are very excited to announce our new partnership with Rotary Clubs of Southwest Missouri and Ridewell Suspensions for our budding Mobile Food Pantry program. The concept is simple; we will load a beverage truck with food items and toiletries, drive it to an available parking lot in a poverty stricken community, and distribute food

right out of the truck.

This vehicle will allow us to overcome many of the logistic challenges inherent to perishable food distribution, and helped expand our food distribution to communities that may not have established food pantries.

In poor rural communities with high elderly populations and few opportunities for jobs, transportation for people to get to a pantry miles away is nonexistent. "A major goal of the Mobile Food Pantry," said Jan Tucker, Agency Relations Director at Ozarks Food Harvest, "is to send out a larger variety of product to underserved areas with high poverty rates."

This Year:

- We successfully piloted the Mobile Food Pantry concept in rural Shannon County.

This Year Ozarks Food Harvest Distributed:

- Approximately 4.2 million pounds to our 320 member agencies.

Ozarks Food Harvest's Staff

Bart Brown
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Where does the food go?

Nearly 320 organizations in 35 Ozarks counties received and distributed more than 4.2 million pounds of food from Ozarks Food Harvest.



County	2005 Food Dist. in pounds	Food Value in Dollars	County	2005 Food Dist. in pounds	Food Value in Dollars	County	2005 Food Dist. in pounds	Food Value in Dollars
Barry	91,922	\$154,429	Hickory	31,425	\$52,794	Pulaski	106,884	\$179,565
Barton	26,659	49,827	Howell	160,056	268,894	Shannon	94,823	159,303
Benton	26,647	44,767	Jasper	455,527	765,285	St. Clair	36,681	61,624
Camden	39,627	66,573	Laclede	97,760	164,237	Stone	139,329	234,073
Cedar	40,556	68,134	Lawrence	127,537	214,262	Taney	173,091	290,793
Christian	136,247	223,855	McDonald	79,683	133,867	Texas	159,759	268,395
Dade	26,190	43,999	Newton	88,722	149,053	Vernon	51,804	87,031
Dallas	62,795	105,496	Oregon	31,653	53,177	Webster	123,131	206,860
Dent	113,692	191,003	Ozark	38,367	64,457	Wright	106,002	178,083
Douglas	42,196	70,889	Phelps	42,113	70,750	Arkansas Distribution	131,174	220,372
Greene	726,738	1,220,920	Polk	162,994	273,830	Disaster Relief	67,840	113,971

Financial Summary

Revenue and Support

In-Kind contributions	\$5,201,580
Grants and contributions	\$585,329
Campaign pledges	\$466,370
Government contracts	\$458,639
Handling fees	\$263,889
Other	\$58,848
Total Revenue and Support	\$7,034,655

Expenses

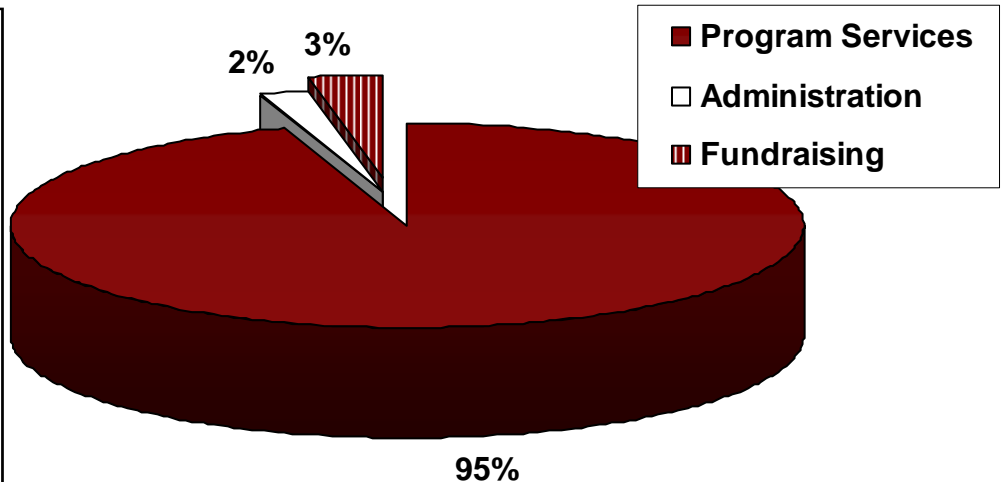
Program Services	\$6,338,686
Administration	\$153,677
Fundraising	\$218,648
Total Expenses	\$6,711,011

Net Assets

Net Assets, Beginning of Year	\$1,243,594
Net Assets, End of Year	\$1,723,255
Change in Net Assets	\$479,661

Ozarks Food Harvest Expenses

95 percent of all donations go directly to food distribution and programs, with only 5 percent used for administration and fundraising.



The complete set of audited financial statements and the report thereon of Hlavacek, Morris & McIntyre, P.C., our independent accountants, are available upon request by contacting the offices of Ozarks Food Harvest, Inc.



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Donations to Ozarks Food Harvest may be pledged and gifted over several years. Ozarks Food Harvest is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit under the IRS Code. As such, our organization can accept a variety of gifts, including:

Gifts of cash.

Gifts of securities, including stocks, bonds, mutual funds and IRAs.

Gifts of personal property (i.e. gun collections, antique cars, artwork, etc.)

Gifts of real property, including real estate, homes, business property, farmland, etc.

Gifts of trusts, including charitable remainder trusts, unitrusts, lead trusts, family trusts, annuity trusts, etc.

Gifts of insurance, as long as Ozarks Food Harvest is both owner and beneficiary.

Gifts of bequests (i.e. gifts received at death directed by a will or living trust.)

We encourage you to discuss these various giving methods with your accountant and attorney and select the most effective way for you to continue to support Ozarks Food Harvest.