



# Mt Healthy Alliance Inc.

Serving One Another in Love  
Galatians 5:13

## Successful Year for the Pantry

Numbers tell only part of the story of the Mt. Healthy Alliance Food Pantry. Beyond the numbers, we know lives are touched and hope given to guests as well as volunteers through the Alliance. That being said, its nice to see where we've been to know where we are headed.

We served 1124 different families during 2011. **Two-hundred fifty-three** different individuals volunteered during the year, logging an amazing **6,958** hours of service.

During 2011, we

received a grant from Wal-Mart to purchase two lap top computers and accessories so our guests can be walked through our record-keeping system easily. To accomplish this, the Pantry became part of the Beta Group of the Virtual Case Management System sponsored by the Freestore Foodbank.

Also during the year, both the pantry and office became air conditioned, much to the relief of everyone who visits.

Redwine Pest Control began supplying

services so that we are in compliance with the USDA regularions.

We were also chosen to distribute Senior Boxes to senior citizens who qualify for the program. Since May we distributed 868 boxes.

For more information, please see the attached annual report from our Pantry Coordinator.

January 2012

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## Eat at Bob Evans and Help Us

On Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, and Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 6:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m., you can help raise money for the Alliance just by eating out or making purchases at the Bob Evans located at 9970 Colerain Ave. (Colerain Ave @ I-275).

those two days will be donated to the Alliance, so long as the purchase is accompanied by our flyer.

Please print the flyer on the last page of this newsletter to take with you.

As always, thank you for your support of the Alliance!



15% of all sales on

# Pantry Distribution

\$169,572.95 is the estimated value of products distributed in 2011.

Senior boxes totaled **132** in December with **39** of those being delivered. Thanks to Jack Peters, Eric Peters, Tom Bauer, John Cracchiola, Susi Dick, Mike Dick, Joyce Lech and Kathy Lorenz for delivering them.

During December, **364** families received special food for Christmas. \$5,175 was distributed in Gift Cards for Christmas meat purchases. Regular food was given to **434** families.

During December, we made **56** referrals that included giving **10** guests **46** bus tokens.

Guests were invited to make use of the Benefit Bank and seek help from Cincinnati Works and the Greater Cincinnati Urban League.

Of the 92 volunteers for the month, 5% were also guests of the pantry. Thank you!

Please see the attached annual pantry report for more details.

- Kathy Lorenz, Pantry Coordinator



December	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
<b>Household Total</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>466</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>547</b>	<b>798*</b>
<b>People Served</b>	<b>709</b>	<b>1643</b>	<b>1813</b>	<b>1755</b>	<b>2471</b>
<b>New Clients</b>		<b>41</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>Referrals</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>56</b>

\*This includes 434 regular food and 364 Christmas food



## Thank You

THANK YOU to new volunteers at the pantry. For the month of December, we had the following new volunteers: John Cracchiola, Andy and Emily Girmann, Kim Gryniesoski, Laura Hammann, Jami

Aulderbeck, Phileesha McCants, Carlton McGhee, Nikki Metaher,

and Victoria Mucillo,

**During the month of October,  
92 volunteers gave  
605.5 hours of service.**

Without volunteers, there would be no pantry, as we could not manage to stock the shelves, distribute food, and assist our guests.

## Alliance Church Highlight

The Church of the Assumption is one of the original eight congregations that helped form the Mt. Healthy Alliance in 2007. The Church of the Assumption, established in 1854, is a Roman Catholic community. The campus is bordered by Joseph Street on the west, Elizabeth Street on the east, Hill Avenue on the north and McMakin Avenue on the South. Mass is celebrated week days at 8:30 a.m., Saturday at 4 p.m., Sunday at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

The parish school is Our Lady of Grace regional school. Our

Parochial Administrator is Reverend Jerome Gardner and our Parochial Vicar is Reverend Thomas Snodgrass.

One of our traditions is the annual Thanksgiving Mass. Members of the parish bring Christmas gifts to be distributed by our St. Vincent de Paul Society. The Santa committee organizes and wraps the gifts for distribution to Mt. Healthy Alliance families who need a little Santa help.

For more information about our faith community and its ministries check out our website [www.AssumptionMtHealthy.org](http://www.AssumptionMtHealthy.org).



## From the Executive Director

We are always looking for opportunities to obtain new funding. As you can see from the pantry distribution report, we are serving more families every year. While we celebrate being able to help those families, we also need to continue to raise money to feed more people and serve more needs in our community.

Many businesses have avenues for employees to nominate a non-profit organization for a corporate gift. For example, General Electric will match gifts given by employees

and Kroger will donate to organizations where employees give volunteer time.

Some companies have foundations that will give to charities like the Alliance. As a 501(c)(3) organization, all gifts are tax-deductible.

**Can you maximize your giving to the Alliance?**

It only takes a few moments to ask your employer. I would be happy to contact your employer or other organization. Please don't hesitate to call or email with any questions. I can be reached by phone at 513-260-3721 or by email to [Director@mthealthyalliance.org](mailto:Director@mthealthyalliance.org).

Thank you for your support and please "like" us on Facebook! Also, check out our website as we are making improvements.

- Kathryn Roosa

## Holiday Gifts

The St. Vincent de Paul Santa Gift Program provided 188 families with gifts for a total of 454 children. Of that number 44 families were adopted by Trinity Lutheran Church. The gifts were distributed at Assumption Providence Room on Sunday December 18<sup>th</sup>.



## Schools

A retired teacher has volunteered help our local elementary schools with repairs to uniforms. She will need zippers, buttons, patches, and thread. Uniform pants are khaki, black, or navy, and shirts are red, white, or black. If you have extra sewing supplies and need a place for them to go, please contact me at 260-3721 or [Director@mthealthyalliance.org](mailto:Director@mthealthyalliance.org)

## Mt. Healthy Alliance Contributors

American Heritage Girls  
 Assumption Church Volunteers  
 Badin High School Volunteers  
 Bart's Bards  
 Beckman Center  
 Bread Ministry  
 Buben Society  
 Cashland (Goodman Ave.)  
 Central Montessori Academy  
 Children's Unlimited  
 Cincinnati Air  
 Cincinnati Mills Panera  
 City of Mt. Healthy  
 Clippard YMCA  
 Compton Lakes Apartments  
 Covered Bridge Antique Mall  
 Dollar Tree  
 Evangelical Community Church Volunteers  
 Faith Lutheran Church Volunteers  
 Feed America  
 Feinstein Foundation  
 Finneytown Curves  
 Finneytown Kroger  
 Finneytown Panera  
 First Baptist Church of Mt. Healthy Volunteers & VBS  
 Fortune Express  
 Hamilton County 4 H Fair  
 The Healthcare Connection  
 Highview Christian Church Volunteers & Youth  
 Hubert Company  
 Jess Hauer Masonry  
 John Paul Elementary & 5th Grade Girl Scouts  
 Lake of the Woods Apartments  
 Little Dutch Bakery  
 Local gardeners  
 Matthew 25 Ministries  
 McAuley High School & Volunteers  
 Mother of Mercy High School & Volunteers  
 Mt. Healthy CVS  
 Mt. Healthy Christian Church VBS  
 Mt. Healthy Christian Home  
 Mt. Healthy Christian Village  
 Mt. Healthy Church Volunteers  
 Mt. Healthy Fraternal Order of Eagles  
 Mt. Healthy Gold Star Chili  
 Mt. Healthy High School, Volunteers & PTA  
 Mt. Healthy North Elementary School  
 Mt. Healthy Republican Party  
 Mt. Healthy South Elementary School  
 Mt. Healthy United Methodist Church Volunteers  
 Mt. Healthy United Methodist Cub Scouts  
 Mt. Healthy Walgreens  
 New U Hair Salon  
 NCH Kroger & Bakery  
 Northern Hills Methodist Church & VBS  
 Northview Wesleyan Church Volunteers  
 Our Lady of Grace School & Volunteers  
 Paul's Diner  
 Powell Crosley YMCA  
 Redwine Pest Control  
 Ridgewood Apartments  
 Roger Bacon Volunteers  
 St. Bartholomew & Volunteers  
 St. Paul United Church of Christ Volunteers  
 St. Stephen Episcopal Church Volunteers  
 St. Vivian Volunteers  
 St. Xavier High School  
 Sees Candies  
 Trinity Lutheran Church Volunteers  
 Tom's Barber Shop Patrons  
 U S Bank Volunteers  
 Wells Chiropractic  
 Woeste Chiropractic  
 World Faith Harvest Fellowship Church Volunteers  
 Yottaquest  
 Member and Affiliate Congregations

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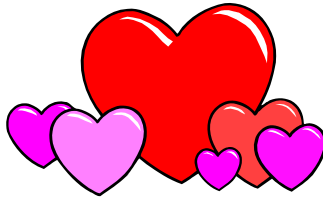
**Current Needs:**

- deodorant
- canned ravioli
- bar soap
- toilet paper
- canned meat or fish
- rice mixes
- canned pineapple
- pasta mixes
- fruit cocktail
- canned pears
- toothpaste & brushes
- cake mixes



**Food Pantry  
Donations Needed**

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**Community  
Fundraiser Night/Day**

*Friends, Food & Fundraising*

**To Support**

**Mt. Healthy Alliance Inc. Food Bank**

Wednesday February 1<sup>st</sup>. 6:00 A.M. -9:00 P.M.

Thursday February 2nd 6:00 A.M. – 9:00 P.M.

We'll earn 15% of Sales when  
You present this flyer\* at

***Bob Evans***

**9970 Colerain Ave (Colerain Ave @ I-275)**

On our Community Fundraiser Night/Day.

\*Flyer must accompany check for donation!  
(Includes Carryout & Retail sales as well)