

## **Eastern Plains Community Pantry**

### **Board Meeting Summary**

March 6, 2017

Fifteen board members and four guests were present. The February 6<sup>th</sup> minutes were approved.

Pantry expenses were greater than revenues for the month of February. Expenses were greater due to a half payment on the walk-in freezer, and the annual property and liability insurance payment. The freezer payment was made from grant money received.

The Pantry served 1,106 people in February and volunteers donated 549.5 hours.

The Calhan Ministerial Alliance is sponsoring a Lenten food drive for the Pantry. Calhan church members are asked to bring a food item for each day of Lent to their church or the Pantry.

The Volunteer Coordinator reported that there is a need for more community volunteers to help cover operating hours and work with community service volunteers.

The Board approved Barbara McFerren as the Assistant Clothing and Small Household Items Coordinator.

March is "EPCP Donor Recognition" month. The Pantry Board thanks all the donors that have contributed to the operation of the Pantry. Your donations are a blessing to our community.

A Care and Share Family Box grant has been submitted to provide food for families over the summer. The Pantry intends to offer a summer food for families program to help feed children when school is not in session.

A new security camera system has been installed at the Pantry. Four cameras send live action pictures to a central recorder that stores them for 19 days. Copies can be made from the recordings.

The Board is making plans for the Loyalty Day Parade (5/6/17) and Calhan Summer Fest (7/14/17).

Eastern Plains Community Pantry is listed as an approved nonprofit to receive donations through Amazon Smiles.

The Pantry is in need of a large portable evaporator cooler, commercial food display refrigerator, sheets, pillow cases, blankets, men's clothing especially jeans, coats and jackets, shirt hangers and volunteers.

The Care and Share Mobil Food Pantry will be on Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, starting at 10:00 a.m. On that same morning the Care and Share Board of Directors will be visiting the Pantry.

The next Board of Directors meeting is April 3, 2017, 6:00 pm, at the Pantry.