

Eastern Plains Community Pantry

Board Meeting Summary

July 6, 2020

Eleven board members and two guests were present. Three board members attended the meeting by phone. The meeting was held at Calhan United Methodist Church. The June 1st minutes were approved.

Pantry revenues were greater than expenses for June. Revenues were up thanks to a Falcon Safeway Nourishing Neighbors grant, a Plains & Peaks Telephone Pioneers donation and several individual donations.

The Pantry provided food to 1,220 client contacts plus an estimated 135 seniors at the Mobile Food Pantry for a total of 1,355 in June. In addition, an estimated amount of 400 client contacts received clothing and household items. Together that makes an estimated client contact count of 1,755 for June.

Nineteen volunteers donated 586 hours in June. Stephanie Wukich was appointed Assistant Volunteer Coordinator. Richard MacKay was approved as an "on call" volunteer.

Small donations (a bag or two) of clothing and small household items are now being accepted during pantry operation hours. No donations are to be left at the pantry during non-operating hours and no truck load donations. Both storage sheds have been cleaned and now there is a small amount of storage for clothing and household items available.

The EPCP Board is still considering holding their monthly board meetings at a different location. This issue will be a discussion item at the next meeting.

A discussion concerning donor and volunteer recognition was the next agenda item. The possibility of a barbecue in late summer was suggested. Further discussion will be an agenda item for the August meeting.

The Pantry is in need of blankets, bed linens, pots & pans, dishes, small appliances, men's jeans, shirts & "T" shirts, recipes for the website, monetary donations, and King Sooper customers to register their Community Rewards for Eastern Plains Community Pantry.

Other information items included sign-up at the Pantry for the Lions KidSpree scheduled for August 8th. With the COVID virus pandemic, the Lions are not sure how KidSpree will work this year. The EPCP donation van may need new rear brakes soon. EPCP was mentioned as a grant recipient in the Electric Coop "Country Life" magazine.

The Care and Share Mobil Food Pantry will be on Friday, July 17th, starting at 9:00 a.m. Only drive-up deliveries will be made at the east door of the Pantry.

The next Board of Directors meeting is Monday, August 3, 2020, 6:00 p.m., at Calhan United Methodist Church.