## Eastern Plains Community Pantry Board Meeting Summary

October 3, 2022

Eleven board members and two guests were present. The September 7, 2022, minutes were approved.

Pantry revenues were less than expenses for September. Revenues were down and expenses were higher than usual because of emergency food purchases, tech support and purchasing fans to help cool the storeroom. Thanks to the Calhan Lions Club for their donation that helped offset some of the expenses. Reserve funds covered the deficit spending.

The Pantry provided food to 1,057 client contacts last month. The Care and Share Mobil Food Pantry will be on Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Twenty-seven volunteers donated 745.75 hours in September. October is volunteer recognition month, so thank a volunteer.

There is a need for children's clothing; sizes 3 - 14.

The Pantry will take part in the Halloween "Trunk or Treat" at Calhan School on Friday, October 28th.

The Board set March 11, 2023, as the date to celebrate 10 years of operation. A chili and cinnamon roll lunch will be served starting at 11:00 am.

Sign-up for the "Holiday Giving" programs starts on Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>, at the Pantry. The toy give away is scheduled for Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> in Whittemore Hall on the fairgrounds.

The Board appointed George Hoover to fill a vacancy on the Board of Directors and Susie Starr as an Alternate Board Member.

The estimate for new flooring in the client service area of the Pantry is \$14,000. Several board members were concerned about investing that much money in a building that EPCP does not own. The authorization to approve the project was postponed.

The Pantry is in need of blankets, bed linens, pots & pans, dishes, small appliances, children's clothing (sizes 3 – 14), recipes for the website, and King Sooper customers to register their Community Rewards for EPCP.

The next Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 7, 2022, at Calhan United Methodist Church.