

Eastern Plains Community Pantry
Board Meeting Summary
April 1st 2024

Thirteen board members and one guest were present.

The March 4th, 2024, minutes were approved.

Expenses were greater than revenues for the month of March. Those expenses were about normal. The van insurance did increase as was expected.

The Pantry provided food to 1,013 contacts during March. This number includes 60 individuals receiving Senior Boxes. The client survey has been quite successful and the data collected will be helpful in applying for grants. According to the data collected for March, EPCP provided help with clothing, household items, pet food, etc. to 1,413 individuals.

Thirty-five volunteers donated 808.75 hours in March.

Clothing and small household items continue to be donated in large amounts but there continuing need for **blankets, pots and pans, dishes, and small appliances**. A reminder to not leave donations outside will be put on the website. A request was expressed to not make donations during commodities day because of the limited space during this time. Commodity dates will be posted on the website and Facebook.

Funding - The pantry received the Mountain View Electric Association Round-Up grant for \$10,000. Thank you Mt. View Electric. Two other grants will be applied for soon.

Other Items: There was discussion about repairing the roof and the cost. A sign-out form for clothing/household items is now available and is working well. Patrons are filling out willingly as we have been sharing that the data numbers help with grant writing applications.

Three people will be attending the upcoming Care and Share conference in May.

The Care and Share Mobile Food Pantry will be on Friday, April 19th, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

The next Board of Directors meeting is Monday, May 6th, 2024.