

SAUK PRAIRIE AREA FOOD PANTRY NEWSLETTER | MAY 2018

THE SAUK PRAIRIE PANTRY RELOCATES

After spending over a decade at the Prairie du Sac location, Sauk Prairie Area Food Pantry members and volunteers recently relocated its goods to a new headquarters. The up-to-date location is at 821 Industry Road in Sauk City inside the 6:8 building. This new space allows us to meet the needs of the hungry while being efficient and functional.

The old location offered its challenges as the needs of the community grew. The process has been long, but well worth it. Many supporters reached out to assist in our move. We are grateful for A-1 Movers, Sauk Prairie FFA, Dairyland Moving & Storage, McFarlanes', 6:8 and endless other crusaders. The new pantry will provide more overall space, ample parking, easier material handling, moving of food, as well as allow for the expansion of daily operations including the consideration of safety and comfort for our recipients.

Over a span of numerous vears, the Sauk Prairie Area Food Pantry has experienced а large increase in the value of food distributed. The new site will also offer additional space frozen and refrigerated items which will helpful as the pantry receives more donations.



Photo of North Street location. New location photos coming soon.

The Sauk Prairie Area Food Pantry has over 500 families registered to receive services. We can do this—together!

we're open

have you been in to see us?



First Wednesday 5:30 to 6:30 pm Second Wednesday 5:30 to 6:30 pm Third Wednesday 9:30 to 11:00 am Third Saturday 9:30 to 11:00 am Fourth Wednesday 5:30 to 6:30 pm



Our Food Pantry serves all residents within the Sauk Prairie School District that are in need of urgent food assistance. This includes the cities of Prairie du Sac, Sauk City, and Merrimac, WI. IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY REQUIRING FOOD RESOURCES, CALL 608-571-7737.

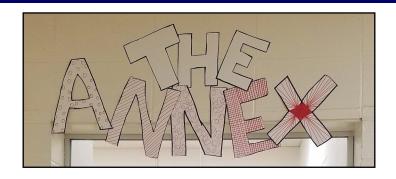


The Sauk Prairie High School Pantry Annex

The Sauk Prairie Area Food Pantry opened the Annex at the Sauk Prairie High School in Fall of 2017. The Annex is located in a small room relatively close to classrooms for provide students with a sense of privacy but also for easy access. The Annex is only accessible with supervision, but all students are welcome. Usage started out slow with approximately 20 plus students. However, it serves over 65. A daily reminder of the open Annex is reported via morning announcements.

The Annex is filled with many of the same food selections of the large pantry located inside the 6:8 building. However, it does offer some specialty choices. Teenagers seem to really enjoy the grab and go items such as the Dinty Moore complete meals, granola bars, fruit snacks and animal crackers. (Easy recipes are also available so students can learn how to meal plan.) Other fan favorites are the birthday bags (Pictured below), gift items and socks.

The Annex is much more than just food, it is a vital resource for feeding young adults. As reported by Second Harvest Foodbank, "One in five children in southwest Wisconsin face hunger." Former Sauk Prairie teacher, Linda Block, volunteers her time at the Annex. She proudly shares her love of helping others, the ability to give back and the value of making a difference.













Change Your AMAZON SMILE Charitable Organization



Hi Everyone!

Are you an Amazon shopper? Did you know you can customize your charitable organization using AmazonSmile? AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. By selecting the Sauk Prairie Area Food Pantry - a percentage of what you purchase could go directly to our local community. Following is how to change your charitable organization:

- 1. Sign in to smile.amazon.com on your desktop or mobile phone browser.
- 2. From your desktop, go to Your Account from the navigation at the top of any page, and then select the option to Change your Charity. Or, from your mobile browser, select Change your Charity from the options at the bottom of the page.
- 3. Select a new charitable organization to support.
- 4. For more information about the AmazonSmile program, go to http://smile.amazon.com/about.

The Sauk Prairie Area Food Pantry thanks you in advance for your continued support. Together, we can make a difference.

Food Pantry Requests—Think Outside Your Kitchen

Sauk Prairie Area Food Pantry accepts donated and surplus food, and also monetary donations providing the ability to purchase other items for the people in our community.

- ⇒ Fresh fruits and veggies
- ⇒ Canned soups
- ⇒ Canned tuna or chicken
- ⇒ Canned vegetables
- ⇒ Canned beans
- ⇒ Canned fruit
- ⇒ Canned tomatoes
- ⇒ Peanut butter
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- ⇒ Kids snacks (Granola bars, nuts, trail mix, juice boxes, crackers etc.)
- ⇒ Soap, shampoo, deodorants, tooth paste, razors, lotions in all sizes
- ⇒ Baby food and milk based formula
- ⇒ Baby diapers all sizes
- ⇒ Baby wipes
- ⇒ Bags, paper or plastic
- ⇒ Personal toiletries small and family size such as hand soaps, toothpaste, shampoo, toothbrushes and dental floss, deodorant, razors

The Board Members



Jim Smith, Jean Schneller, Marietta Reuter, Ally Dunnum, Joyce Schoepp, Marian Kane, MaryEllen Schou, John Ramthum, Jean Fischer, Jeff Boll and Bob Koch. (Missing: Todd Taylor)



If you plan on planting a garden this season, know that the Sauk Prairie Area Food Pantry is always delighted to find a home for your extras. A handful of tomatoes, corn on the cob, carrots, or mostly any other organic item is accepted.





Sauk Prairie Area Food Pantry Ribbon Cutting

you're Invited!

Friday, June 8th, 2018 6 p.m. 821 Industry Road Sauk City, WI 53583

*Other activities happening between 5 p.m.—8 p.m.

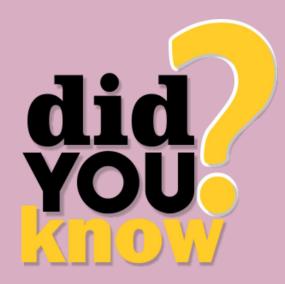


Chicken Pot Pie

What you need:

- 1-2/3 cups hot water
- 1 pkg. (6 oz.) Stuffing Mix for Chicken
- 3 cups chopped cooked chicken
- 1 pkg. (10 oz.) frozen mixed vegetables (carrots, corn, green beans, peas), thawed or canned
- $1\ \mbox{can}\ (10\mbox{-}3\slash4\ \mbox{oz.})$ condensed cream of chicken soup
- 1 cup milk
- 1. Heat oven to 375°F.
- 2. Add hot water to stuffing mix; stir just until moistened.
- Combine chicken and vegetables in 2-qt. casserole.
 Mix soup and milk; pour over chicken mixture.
 Top with stuffing.
- 4. Bake 30 min. or until hot and bubbly.





- The Pantry receives donations of food and money through local organizations, businesses, groups, and individuals. Food is purchased locally or at the Second Harvest Food Bank in Madison as needed. We also receive USDA food commodities which help supplement the donations. There are additional donations periodically, such as venison or fresh produce. It is truly a community project!
- Food donation receptacles can be found at various locations including both Sauk Prairie grocery stores.
- You can organize a food drive or fundraiser for the food pantry! Simply contact us for more information and the best way to get started.





With Gratitude ...



Thank you, Sauk Prairie FFA Members.



Thank you, Dairyland Moving & Storing LLC.



Thank you, A-1 Movers!



Thank you to all the members and volunteers!

PANTRY LOCATION

821 Industry Rd Sauk City, WI 53583 Phone: 608-571-7737

MAILING ADDRESS

PO Box 652 Sauk City, WI 53583



www.spfoodpantry.org



Sauk Prairie Area Food Pantry



HOW TO RECEIVE SERVICES



First Visit

Come to the Food Pantry during open hours to register. You will be asked to fill out an information card. The card will ask for basic information such as income level, number of persons in the household, and employment history.

You must present proof of living within the Sauk Prairie School District area. On your first visit, two different forms of identification will be required. This can be a valid ID and a piece of qualifying mail OR 2 different pieces of qualifying mail. Examples of qualifying mail would be a utility bill or rental receipt from within the last 30 days that shows your name and address.

Every Month

Each household may receive food once a month. You may choose which one of the open hours works best for you.

Each visit, you will sign your registration card, show proof of address, and report any changes in your household information. This is strictly enforced.

Proof of address requires one piece of qualifying mail. Examples of qualifying mail would be a utility bill or rental receipt from within the last 30 days that shows your name and address.

Important Information

The following is a list of guidelines and requirements when receiving Food Pantry services. Your cooperation will help ensure a pleasant experience for everyone:

- All the food that we distribute comes from donations (food or money to purchase food) from our community.
- Please be fair to everyone by taking only the posted limits and do not ask for additional food or extra services.
- When possible, bring your own bags.
- There are five distributions each month. Food is received all during the month and shelves are restocked on a regular basis. No distribution consistently has more food than any other distribution.
- We have no control over the length of the wait for food. Your cooperation and patience is appreciated both with the pantry volunteers and with one another.
- Use of the pantry is a privilege, not a right. We reserve the right to ask anyone causing a disturbance or problem to leave.

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