

# Ways You Can Help



- Try Volunteering
- Bring in reusable bags
- Donate sleeping bags, toiletries, jackets
- Host a food drive
- Plant a row in your garden
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Jenny's Giant Burger  
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Together we raised a total of **\$21,760** for 2019

## Season of Sharing 2019 Totals

Woven Sunshine  
Kurt Harrison,  
In Memory of Marina Boucher Harrison  
Deborah Smith  
Carol & Richard Grass  
Ted Balassi  
Susan Larkin & James Ehlers,  
In Memory of Stan Halvorsen  
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In Memory of Charles & Jean Lee  
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Sharon DiMauro,  
In Memory of Nonie & Fred Grass  
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On the occasion of a departed friend  
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**Final Total  
\$7,204.75**

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Please make checks payable to The Fort Bragg Food Bank. We accept MasterCard & Visa. PayPal donations may be made on our website.



MENDOCINO FOOD AND NUTRITION PROGRAM

# FORT BRAGG FOOD BANK

newsletter

WINTER 2020

## Moving Forward 2020

Looking back at the last year there have been a lot of positive improvements. Paving our parking lot and replacing the roll up door have made deliveries and distribution so much easier. I am also pleased that we were able to work with Mendocino Presbyterian Church to open a Community Food Pantry in the village of Mendocino. This additional food pantry has proved to be very beneficial to the community of Mendocino. Especially now that there are more people who need food and the numbers continue to grow.



Sign donated by Kiersten Hanna  
Director of Braggadood Signs & Graphics

The Corona virus has changed everyone's way of life. Facing a new world and one that is ever changing Food Banks are needed now more than ever. All of the sudden our long time volunteers are staying in and our new client sign-ups are going through the roof. All of this may seem daunting but we are stepping up to the challenge. Our doors are now open 5 days a week and we have extended our senior hours. In an effort to keep our lines down we have added Curbside Pickup and Home Deliveries for clients who are homebound. All of this could not be done without our wonderful staff, new volunteers, and the wonderful and supportive community we live in.

Our team is dedicated and working together. Lisi and Jim are working together to move out inventory and load the delivery truck with nutritious food. Our long distance driver Jeff Hock continues to deliver to all the food pantries. He has started helping us with the curbside pick-up and is really stepping up to the challenge. Our local drivers Karen and Rachelle keep the donations coming in with the businesses that are still open while taking on new responsibilities

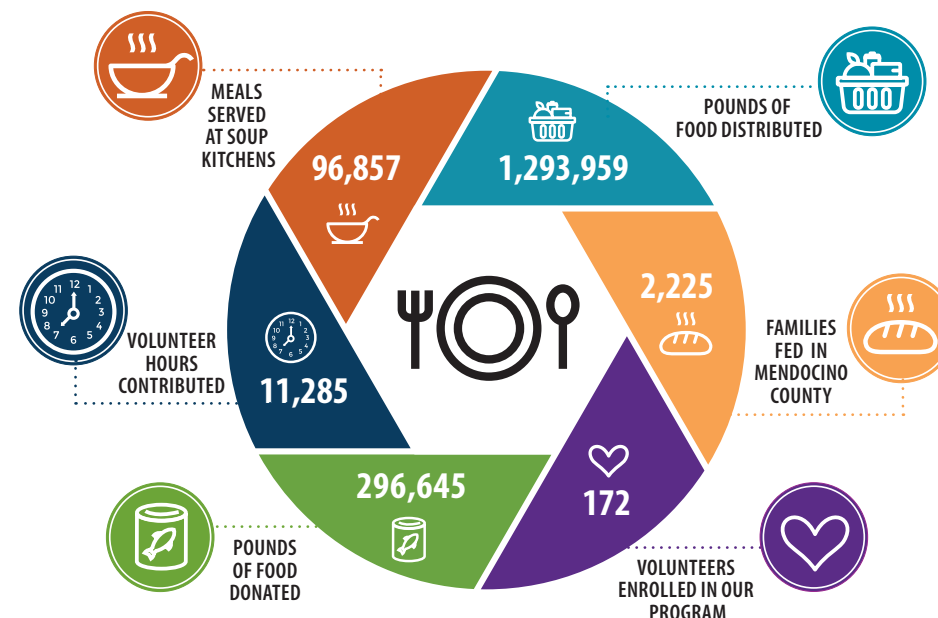


in our operation. Kris Russell is at the head of the distribution line and knows our clients by name which is reassuring to all. With the help of California Association of Food Banks and Bruce Campbell we have a new Outreach Program to increase services at all food pantries throughout Mendocino County. Our new Outreach Liaison Staci Gonzales is connecting with each of the Pantry Leaders to find out what is needed most. Working together we can improve the lives of many.

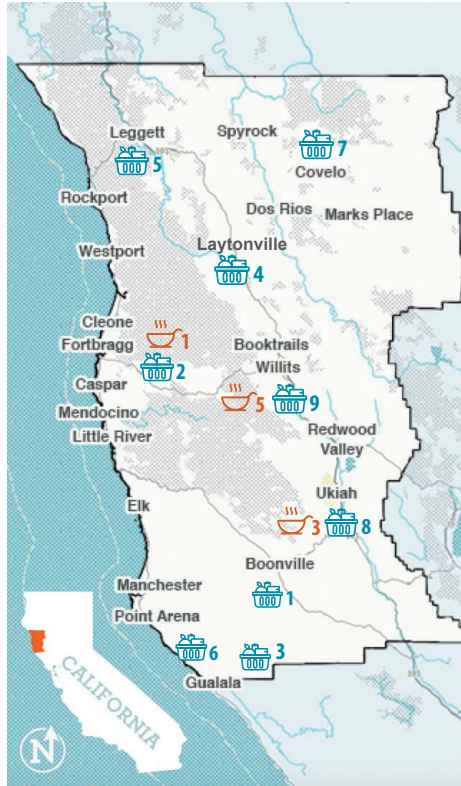
## Local Businesses that Donate Food Every Week

Colombi's  
Café Beaujolais  
Corners of the Mouth  
D'Aurelios  
El Yuca  
Fort Bragg Bakery  
Garden Bakery  
Harvest Market  
Harvest at Mendosas  
Mendocino Coast Botanical Gardens  
Mendocino Coast Produce  
Mendocino Cookie Company  
North Coast Brewing Company  
Purity  
Safeway  
Thanksgiving Coffee  
Mountain Mikes  
Vinny's Pizza and More

## 2019 BY THE NUMBERS



# Mendocino County Food Distribution



## FOOD PANTRY LOCATIONS

- 1 – Anderson Valley
- 2 – Fort Bragg Food Bank
- 3 – Gualala
- 4 – Laytonville
- 5 – Leggett
- 6 – Point Arena
- 7 – Round Valley
- 8 – Ukiah
- 9 – Willits

## SOUP KITCHEN LOCATIONS

- 1 – Gleanings Fort Bragg
- 2 – Hospitality House
- 3 – Plowshares Ukiah
- 4 – Trinity Lutheran Church
- 5 – Willits Daily Bread

## WE HAVE EXTENDED OUR FOOD DISTRIBUTION HOURS

### Monday – Friday Pre-Made Bags

Seniors – 10:00 to 11:15am  
 All Ages – 12:00 to 3:00pm  
 Wednesdays Only – 4:30 to 5:30pm

If you are homebound or for curbside pick up please call (707) 964-9404

Clients may pick up food once a week

# Note from Director Amanda Friscia



What a year it has been! With the full support from all the Staff, Volunteers, Donors, and Board of Directors I am truly blessed to have this opportunity.

The biggest highlight of the year would have to be prevailing in the dark during the Public Safety Power Shutoff. In the midst of our biggest fundraiser the lights went out and there was no panic to be seen on anyone's faces. Patrons continued to taste soup and chili with smiles on their faces. The silent auction was filled with flashlights and eager bidders. This is a perfect picture of the community we live in.

Every day I walk through the front door at the Fort Bragg Food Bank I can feel the busy pace of the food bank making an impact on the lives of many. What is the reason for this? The simplest answer- because they care. Thank you to our generous community for supporting the food bank. I am proud to take part in it. I look forward to many years to come.



## Staff Spotlight – Jim DiMauro



A man of sometimes few words but a world of wisdom. Jim always has an answer if you have a question. A seasoned veteran at the Food Bank Jim has much to offer. Known for his quiet charm, calculator brain, and calm cool and collected attitude.

How was the food bank so lucky to have Jim as the Warehouse Manager? After his retirement from Safeway the food bank had an opening for a Warehouse Manager.

He was hired on in 2011 and has been the perfect fit.

If you're looking for him in the warehouse you might not find him right away. He is constantly scanning the warehouse and doing his rounds (especially if one of our shopping carts is unaccounted for). Volunteers, Staff, and Clients all can't help but love Jim. He is always willing to help others and has a real soft spot for dogs. Thank you Jim for all the great work you do.



## OUR STAFF

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|---|---|
| <b>Amanda Friscia</b><br><i>Executive Director</i>    | <b>Staci Gonzales</b><br><i>Outreach Liaison</i>              |
| <b>Jim DiMauro</b><br><i>Warehouse Manager</i>        | <b>Jeff Hock</b><br><i>Distance Driver</i>                    |
| <b>Kris Russell</b><br><i>Programs Coordinator</i>    | <b>Karen Edwards</b><br><i>Local Driver</i>                   |
| <b>Lisi Martinez</b><br><i>Operations Coordinator</i> | <b>Rachelle Sutherland</b><br><i>Distribution Coordinator</i> |

## OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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## Local Businesses and Organizations that Hosted Barrel Drives

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| Fort Bragg Unified School District | Three Rivers Charter School      |  | Fort Bragg Library    |
| USPS Letter Carrier Drive          | Leonard Moore                    |   | Dollar Tree           |
| Safeway Feed the Need              | Savings Bank of Mendocino County |   |                       |
|                                    |                                  |   | Harvest Market        |
|                                    |                                  |   | Purity                |
|                                    |                                  |   | Fort Bragg Track Team |
|                                    |                                  |   | Turkey Trot           |