



Dear BCFP friends and supporters,

The Bethel Community Food Pantry, formerly St. Thomas' Food Pantry, has been an independent 501 C3 tax exempt organization for over a year now. The BCFP has a volunteer board which oversees the business of the pantry and a crew of over 25 volunteers who help to distribute food every two weeks, keep our shelves stocked and pick up food from various locations. We have successfully transitioned into this role and continue to serve the people of Bethel who are in need of food assistance.

We find ourselves at this time experiencing another transition. The pantry has been housed at St. Thomas' Episcopal Church in Bethel since the early 1990's. Recently another space became available which is more accessible for our clients and for the delivery of food. It also has a larger storage space available for the food and non-food items we supply on a regular basis.

So, we are appealing to you to help with a donation to our capital campaign to set up this new location to serve the needs of our community. The transition will take place over the next few months and we will need some additional equipment: additional shelving, chairs and tables etc. to set up in this new space. But we will also need to purchase a commercial grade refrigerator so that we can continue to provide nutritious produce, meat and dairy products.

We will be located on the lower level of the Bethel United Methodist Church at 141 Greenwood Avenue in a space which has an entrance on the side of the building and plenty of parking.

We are hoping to raise \$3,000 to cover the initial set-up at the new pantry location. A tax-deductible donation in any amount would be greatly appreciated.

Donations can be sent to:

Bethel Community Food Pantry
211 Greenwood Ave. 2-2
PMB #175
Bethel, CT 06801

Yours truly,

Steve Deuschle, President
Bethel Community Food Pantry