LifeLine

FOOD FOR LIFE MINISTRY, INC. IN GRATITUDE TO GOD WE ARE HERE TO SERVE THE PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL NEEDS OF THE HUNGRY

Serving and Giving Terri Hampton



Summer 2023

I've been serving at Food for Life as a volunteer for three years now. It's a blessing to see so many people come together and freely give of their time to serve families in our community and surrounding area. We are 100% a volunteer staff; no one gets paid, except in that beautiful feeling of service and giving to others.

Shortly after I began volunteering I also took over the role of Assistant Treasurer. All I really do is write checks to pay our bills and type up the monthly expense report, but it has been an eye-opening experience.

I had no idea how much it costs to run a non-profit, even if no one is getting a salary. We have rent, electricity, trash pick-up, water, yard maintenance, several insurance policies, bookkeeping, warehouse supplies, gas and repairs for the trucks, repairs on old equipment and the purchase of new when necessary, and more. God is providing the food, but He also uses the resources of His people to meet financial needs.

If you are already supporting Food for Life Ministry financially, thank you so much. It is deeply appreciated. But, if you aren't, would you please consider a one-time or a monthly gift? We need you! And know that it will be put to good use for the Kingdom of God.

Growing Carl Hampton

Over the last two years Food for Life has grown from serving about 200 families and individuals a week, to 300. We continue to receive food from many sources, and are grateful to the many individuals and churches who donate, and the schools and churches that conduct food drives for us. Most recently First United Reformed Church and Calvary Chapel Chino Hills have blessed us with food drives.

From the churches that donate financially to us–Chino Valley Community, Crosspoint, First United Reformed, Victory Baptist, Living Word, and Valley Christian–we've received \$13,300 to date this year. Our total contributions received this year for the General Fund are just over \$48,000, but our expenses have been over \$75,000–a shortfall of almost \$27,000.

As noted above, we have expenses we need to meet. We trust God to provide and are continuing in the mission He has given us to help feed the needy in our valley. Will you partner with us financially? Any amount is gratefully appreciated.

2 corinthians 9:6 The person who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the person who sows generously will also reap generously.



Clients waiting in the hot sun to receive groceries.



Amy's Farm has blessed us for many years with produce. They have been given notice to vacate the property which has been purchased by a developer. We are most grateful to Amy and Randy Bekendam for the wonderful vegetables they bring every week. Our clients have enjoyed the fresh organic kale, lettuce, and more.

The great produce will continue through late August.

Thank you! Your food and generous hearts have blessed many. We will miss you.



Change at Food for Life Al Vande Steeg

This year is a year of change: change in needs and change in how we provide food for the working poor of the Inland Empire. In January and February there was a fifteen percent increase in the number of families coming for food. In late June and into July we experienced another increase of twenty percent. God has put us here to bring His peace and provision for those who are in desperate need due to the high rate of inflation and food costs.

This means that more food is needed, and storage space is needed for the refrigerated foods. As usual, when the needs increase the Lord also provides the food items needed. The existing walk-in refrigerators are inadequate for handling the food coming in, so we've had to turn food away.

A new refrigerator has been ordered. It is twenty two feet by fourteen feet and will more than double our refrigerated space. The cost is just over \$50,000. To date, five donors have given \$25,000. We still need \$30,000 more to pay for the new unit and to remove the old units.

Please consider helping pay for this wonderful and needed addition to our warehouse, as we continue to serve the Kingdom.

Serving families in the Inland Empire by meeting their spiritual and physical needs in Fesus' name.



6th Annual Golf Tournament

Plan on being a part of this year's Food for Life Golf Tournament. It's on Friday, October 20, at 8 am, and will once again be held at El Prado Golf Course.

Your registration fee entitles you to breakfast, lunch, and of course, a round of golf.

We have special competitions for the shot closest to the pin and the longest drive, as well as senior categories. Get your foursome together and join us for a great day.



The golf tournament is one of the ways we raise money to support Food for Life. Last year's tournament raised \$20,000, and we're hoping for \$25,000 this year.

If you are interested in being a sponsor please contact Bernie Gabrielse at 909-376-5628 or email at bcgabes@aol.com. We need sponsors for apparel, lunch, breakfast, the driving range, and individual tees. We will also be selling string to adjust your lie and raffle tickets for some great prizes.

You may register using the brochure you receive in the mail, or by going to our website foodforlifeministry.org, scroll down to the bottom of the page, and under "Information" click on "Golf Tournament" where you will be able to register.

Invite your golfing buddies, and as always, thank you for your support.

Warehouse and Offices

4712 Cheyenne Way, Chino, CA 91710 Phone: 909-627-FOOD (3663) Website: www.foodforlifeministry.org Warehouse hours: Tuesday 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Thursday 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon



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FFLM would like to buy a warehouse so we can save the money now going to rent payments. Do you have a warehouse or know of a warehouse? Will you contribute to the purchase of a warehouse?

We need a six thousand square foot facility with fenced yard, and have budgeted \$900,000 for the purchase.

Contact Albert Vande Steeg at 909-553-6189 for more information about partnering with FFLM in this way.



