

Badger Prairie Needs Network



Annual Report: 2022



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Message from the Board of Directors

At Badger Prairie Needs Network (BPNN), people come through our doors when they are experiencing hard times. They might have lost a job, suffered a serious illness or unexpected expense. They are struggling to feed their families. They can't afford their medication *and* the monthly rent. They need help. They are our neighbors. They are us.

Since 1986, BPNN has provided a safety net for people trying to make ends meet. Our services include food assistance, nutrition education, a free weekend meal, access to a Dane County Joining Forces for Families social worker, and even legal advocacy. We serve all of Dane County.

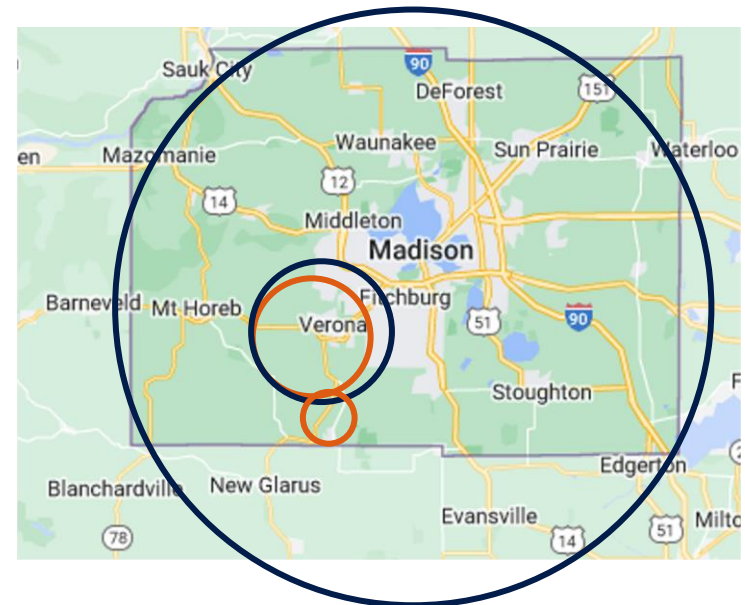
We work efficiently and without fanfare to help neighbors weather crises, preserve family stability, and – perhaps most importantly – gain self-sufficiency and self-respect. Everything BPNN does through our 1100 volunteers (we have no paid staff) reflects empathy and respect. The pages that follow provide more detailed descriptions of our services and the impact we had in 2022.





Mission

BPNN is dedicated to fighting poverty and ending hunger locally.



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→ Our Structure

100% volunteer 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization

Board of Directors

President: Bob Kasieta | Vice President: Karen Dettinger | Secretary: Laura Stewart
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Operational Directors

Volunteers	Kasieta Center	Business Services
Food Pantry	Prairie Kitchen	Communications
Guest Services	Development	Facilities



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Programs



Food Pantry



Nutrition Education



Workforce Development



Legal Services



Kitchen-to-Table Food Recovery



Community Meal

Partners on Site



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2022 At A Glance: Food Pantry

1,361,463 lbs of food distributed

10,125 Households served

37,318 Individuals

12,608 Children

3,669 Senior Citizens

1,134,553 lbs Grab-n-go Meals





**KITCHEN
TO TABLE**

Wisconsin
Food
Recovery
Network

A collaboration to provide nutritious and delicious grab-n-go meals while reducing food waste and saving the planet.

50 Tons of Food

- Diverted from local landfills
- Reducing waste management costs of donors
- Feeding thousands of families with nutritious ready-to-eat meals throughout southern Wisconsin
- Packaged in microwavable containers and heat-sealed for safety
- Can be replicated throughout the nation



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The Partners

- BPNN
- Epic
- Promega
- Exact Sciences
- Cuna Mutual Group
- Festival Foods
- Dane County
- Placon
- Community Action Coalition
- Second Harvest
- Feeding Wisconsin

PROGRAMS & IMPACT: Food Recovery

Most adults that use food pantries in our area are working for wage – and many are working more than one fulltime job. In a county with a high cost of living and not enough housing, making ends meet is often difficult.

Our food recovery program is intended to make life a bit easier for these folks by providing ready-to-eat meals using food that is recovered from other commercial food operations.



Every Friday night, volunteers collect surplus prepared food from the cafeterias at Epic, a local software company. Volunteers gather in our Prairie Kitchen and repackage it in family-friendly microwavable containers and get it into the freezer or food pantry cooler.

Because we packaged over 84,000 meals using recovered food, we were able to share a good deal of it with other pantries in our area. This is especially meaningful in this year of 100% curbside distribution.

PROGRAMS & IMPACT: Kitchen to Table

In December 2018, after the completion of a building project that added warehouse space and very large coolers to the facility, BPNN and nine community partners launched Kitchen to Table: the Wisconsin Food Recovery Network (K2T). The initiative expanded BPNN's existing food recovery operation by adding additional food donors, food distribution partners, and other organizations that could pool resources to create a regional food recovery operation.

Licensed restaurants, caterers, corporate dining rooms, hotels, and other food establishments can donate prepared foods and meal ingredients to K2T. Donated bulk-packaged prepared foods are repackaged in BPNN's Prairie Kitchen and distributed to food pantries throughout southern Wisconsin either by local pantries shopping our freezers directly, or through deliveries from the Community Action Coalition and Second Harvest.

Food that cannot be distributed quickly enough to food pantries or meal sites is donated to local farmers for livestock feed or used as compost.



Participating in food recovery programs like Kitchen to Table helps divert food from landfills and provides critical nutrition to those struggling with food insecurity. It also saves donors the cost of cold storage and waste disposal.



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▶ The Kasieta Center

A space where community gathers,
skills are developed, and careers
are launched.

Provides opportunity
to develop programming
that helps families and
individuals facing
challenges take bigger
steps to improve
their situation.



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Events & Program Examples

- Workforce development and education
- Career Fairs
- Partners - Madison College, LAWD
- Financial programs – banks, micro lenders
- Diabetes workshop
- Winter Farmer's Market
- Community Meal
- Fundraisers
- Rotating Art
- Private Events (occasional rental)





Community financial support for unmet needs:

In 2022, BPNN allocated \$10,000 to the Joining Forces for Families program to provide support for eviction prevention, to keep people's utilities connected, to assist with medication expenses, and to support other unmet needs for the residents in JFF service area.



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Legal Services:

Referrals come from Joining Forces for Families social workers, local clergy, and guests self-referring:

BPNN Legal Services helped 35 clients, and invested more than 750 hours in pro bono work with our team of lawyers on cases involving primarily landlord/tenant issues, discrimination, and elder law.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

BPNN has earned a GuideStar Platinum Seal of Transparency from Charity Navigator. This is the highest level of transparency possible and is awarded to fewer than 2% of the nation's nonprofit organizations. Those receiving it are focused on measuring progress and results providing funders with critical information needed to make wise investments.



BPNN's GuideStar profile is available at
<https://www.guidestar.org/profile/45-1159288>



How We Do It

- Individual Cash Donations
 - 2000 individual donors
 - \$150 donation feeds a family of 3 for 3 months
- Grants
- Partnerships & Community Support
- Food Drives
- Fundraisers



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100% Volunteer



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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
ASSETS		
<i>Current Assets</i>		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	2,021,090	1,625,918
Promise to Give, Due Within One Year		6,923
Investments	-	6,923
Accounts Receivable	-	
Grants Receivable	1,507,500	90,000
Prepaid Expenses	1,488	1,745
Inventory	264,006	290,502
<i>Total Current Assets</i>	<u>3,794,084</u>	<u>2,015,088</u>
Property and Equipment		
Construction Work in Progress	684,224	
Leasehold Improvements	1,504,250	3,990,476
Furniture and Equipment	107,827	210,635
Vehicles	58,257	140,144
Accumulated Depreciation	(361,697)	(557,015)
<i>Property and Equipment, Net</i>	<u>1,992,861</u>	<u>3,784,240</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>5,786,945</u>	<u>5,799,328</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
<i>Current Liabilities</i>		
Accounts Payable	280,052	31,029
Security Deposit		500
<i>Total Current Liabilities</i>	<u>280,052</u>	<u>31,529</u>
<i>Net Assets</i>		
Net Assets with Donor Restrictions	1,733,995	48,328
Net Assets without Donor Restrictions		
Undesignated	1,441,146	1,395,278
Designated	338,891	539,953
Net Investment in Capital Assets	1,992,861	3,784,240
<i>Total Net Assets</i>	<u>5,506,893</u>	<u>5,767,799</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	<u>5,786,945</u>	<u>5,799,328</u>



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SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

	2021			2022		
	WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS	WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS	TOTAL	WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS	WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS	TOTAL
SUPPORT AND REVENUE						
Donations	415,449	43,412	458,861	324,472	128,850	453,322
Capital Campaign Donations	-	2,122,000	2,122,000			
Grants	11,000	-	11,000	214,516	75,000	289,516
Contributions of Nonfinancial Assets	1,818,961	-	1,818,961	2,723,775	-	2,723,516
Program Income	4,912	-	4,912	8,104	-	8,104
Fundraising Income		-			-	
Flags 4 Food	19,144	-	19,144	21,124	-	21,124
Mailing Appeals	204,820	-	204,820	48,105	-	48,105
Interest Income	1,023	-	1,023	2,304	-	2,304
Miscellaneous Income	-		-	556	-	556
Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments	(395)		(395)			
Net Assets Released From Restrictions	737,326	(737,326)	-	1,889,517	(1,889,517)	-
Total Support And Revenue	3,291,521	1,428,086	4,719,607	5,232,473	(1,685,667)	3,546,806
EXPENSES						
Program Services	1,993,125	-	1,993,125	3,109,213	-	3,109,213
Management & General	69,221	-	69,221	156,784	-	156,784
Fundraising	51,071	-	51,071	19,903	-	19,903
Total Expenses	2,113,417		2,113,417	3,285,900		3,285,900
Total Change in Net Assets	1,178,104	1,428,086	2,606,190	1,946,573	(1,685,667)	260,906
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	2,594,794	305,909	2,900,703	3,772,898	1,733,995	5,506,893
Net Assets at End of Year	3,772,898	1,733,995	5,506,893	5,719,471	48,328	5,767,799



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