





SUMMER BLUES

Well it has been hot!

Our pantry staff are wearing masks to protect our clients but it does get hot when they are walking in and out of the pantry to get client information and bring their food boxes to them. They also spend several hours each day loading and unloading food from the truck to the walk-in and pantry, and then stock pantry shelves. This time of year, our pantry numbers drop because of the heat. We receive several calls, from new clients, to ask what our hours are, one of those was from Greenlee County, which is about 2% of our client base.

Our garden staff are drinking plenty of water and adding electrolytes when needed. Most volunteers work in the mornings but our employees, Janine and Allen, work all day long in this heat. Allen works 2 days a week and Janine works 5 full days then goes to the garden on weekends to be sure there are no water leaks. and to feed and water the 2 goats and the sheep.

Both the garden and pantry need volunteers. We would love to give Janine a break on the weekends and help her in the mornings during the week. There is a group of retired women that volunteer twice a week and a large group of Elders and Sisters that volunteer twice a week. We welcome other volunteers to work with these groups or create their own time to volunteer.

We also have pantry volunteers on extended vacations so we need people Monday through Friday, mostly in the mornings.

Our crops are growing well, especially with the recent rains. If you are interested in purchasing produce from the garden, we have tomatoes, zucchini, peppers, cucumber, eggplant, cut flowers, chili, celery, and basil. We will harvest

for you each Monday and Friday from 10am to noon or by appointment.



Donations decline in the summer months. If you can make an extra donation helping your neighbors, you can do it online, mail a check, or come to the pantry.

We are also in need of food donations such as refried beans, canned fruit, and tomato sauces.

We do appreciated all that you do to help our community through your support of ONF&P.

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FACEBOOK WEEKLY LIVE VIDEOS

We started doing something a little new on our facebook live videos. We have had Barbi Spining as a guest to speak about volunteering in the garden and a little talk about bindweed, our garden nemesis. Another week Janine talked about the benefits of onions and another week Mimi Loverage spoke about our partnership with The Salt House. Many people do not realize that Debbie purchased a trailer and shed in Thunderbird Mobile Estate for food, clothing, and household items distribution. They use our pantry truck to bring excess food we have, food they have purchased, and food they may get in the summer as grocery rescue.

We have many other fun things to talk about on our videos. This week we talked to volunteers during our volunteer ice cream social, and yes that was homemade ice cream. One of our board members, John, made raspberry lemon ice cream and Stacey made strawberry soda pop ice cream with fresh strawberries and rootbeer soda pop ice cream.

Our next video, on the 28th, will feature our staff showing you how to utilize what is growing in our garden. We will each share a recipe (and hopefully have the cooked dish) with tomato, cucumber, peppers, zucchini and basil. We hope you can join us each Wednesday at noon!

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