



2019 Annual Services And Financial Report

Can you stand the idea of a
family in your neighborhood
going hungry?

Neither can we.

Letter from the President

We are happy to provide you with our 2019 Annual Report. In it, we outline the services we have provided this past year as well as our financial report. We owe all we have accomplished to the work of our fabulous volunteers and the support of the Shelburne Community. We are truly grateful for both.

Our volunteers come from all areas of our community and demonstrate their willingness to give of their time and themselves to serve those facing food insecurity. We welcome the participation of community members as volunteers. We are also blessed by the impressive generosity of the Shelburne Community; a community that eagerly donates both food and funds to help our neighbors in need.

Potential changes to the federal safety net that support members of our community make this a challenging time for the Shelburne Food Shelf. Please know, that whatever policy changes may occur, we will continue to work to meet the needs of our community with the support of our cadre of volunteers and the Shelburne community. We look forward to your thoughts and suggestions as we move into our fifth year of operation.

Sincerely,

Susan Stock, Chair



Shelburne Board of Directors, from left: Tom Candon, Toby Knox, Allan Merritt, Susan Stock, Pam Brangan, BettyJean Bogue, Rose Dubois, Kevin Kenlan, Dana Valentine.

Not pictured: Amy Nickerson

Statement of Impact

FOOD PROGRAMS:

Over 180 different households have used the Food Shelf since we began operating. The number we serve monthly has declined slightly from an average of 71 per month last year to an average of 65 per month this year. Our school program (*Food That's in When School is Out*) served a total of 518 children in FY 2018-2019.

We continued to work to increase the awareness and use of the Shelburne Food Shelf in our community by:

- Providing healthy food samples and recipes to encourage shoppers to try new foods
- Posting regular notices of our open hours on Front Porch Forum and on a tent sign in front of town hall.
- Placing notices in Harrington House and at Harbor Place.
- Collaborating with the Shelburne Community School in providing food to children in the community in 4 unique ways.
- Distributing approximately \$137,000 of food to our shoppers, through donations of food and food purchases from the Vermont Foodbank and other vendors.

NON-FOOD PROGRAMS:

The Food Shelf has a strong legacy of supporting neighbors in need, including support with fuel and electric bills, unexpected car repairs, and emergency housing, among other crises. This year we assisted 46 Shelburne residents with financial needs.

We continue to partner with Champlain Housing Trust via grant funding to assist individuals with urgent housing costs.

FOOD PROGRAMS

SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN:

We successfully partnered with Shelburne Community School (SCS) again this year to help provide food to children who might not otherwise receive it, by:

- Funding SCS Summer School to provide children in need with daily bagged lunches which they could take home during the three weeks of summer school.
- Providing grant funding for daily nourishing snacks for children during the school year. Teachers discretely distribute snacks when they notice that food options from home are limited.
- Settling a child's school lunch account when there was a balance due for families who could not pay.

“FOOD THAT’S IN WHEN SCHOOL IS OUT”:

Before the four school breaks and during the weeks of summer vacation, we held food distributions at SCS for families that need breakfast and lunch items for their children over the vacation times.

Working with the school, we signed up 80 children from 29 families. During the summer between 40 and 55 children benefited weekly from this food distribution effort.



Treasurer's Statement

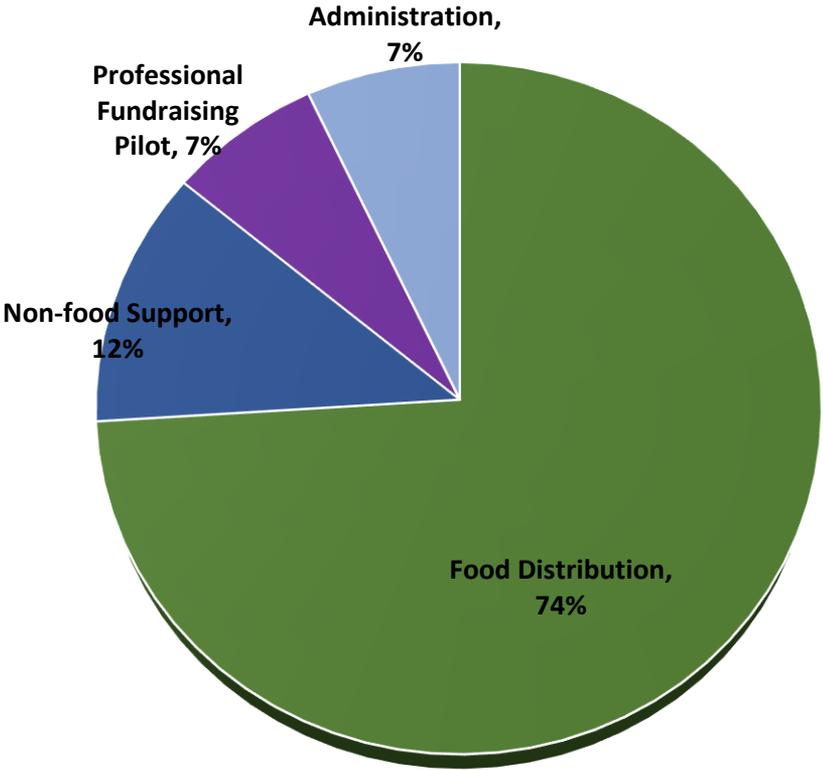
Last fiscal year our income exceeded our expenses, in large part due to a generous donation from Burlington Meals on Wheels when it disbanded its organization, as well as other donors that help keep the Shelburne Food Shelf running. We supported the summer and school break food programs at the Shelburne Community School and provided a grant to help make sure children have access to snacks during the school year to support their learning. These school programs amounted to 34% of our expenses. Another 40% of our total expenses last year went to purchase food and personal care items used in our regular Food Shelf food distribution. Twelve percent of our expenses supported programs that provide emergency aid to neighbors with non-food needs.

Our administrative expenses, which include membership in the Vermont Food Bank, insurance, telephone expenses, tax filings, etc., were up this year to 14%. This increase was driven by our pilot of a town-wide fund-raising initiative.

We are very grateful for the community and the support we receive. We could not assist our neighbors in need without it.

Thank you.

FY 2019 Expenses= \$51,300



Our Thanks

This year we would especially like to thank those who have helped us serve our community:

- All of our volunteers who willingly give their time and energy.
- Shelburne community members who so freely participate in the “round-it-up” program at the Shelburne Market and the store’s managers of this program.
- Shelburne Farms for their delicious cheese and fabulous fresh produce.
- New Village Farm for their fresh farm produce and the Vermont Food Bank, which supports this partnership with the Vermonters Feeding Vermonters Program.
- Harrington’s of Vermont which provides baked goodies that families enjoy.
- The Rotary Club of Charlotte, Hinesburg and Shelburne which provides holiday turkeys and hams.
- David Webster, and his firm Enman & Associates, for the accurate and cheerful preparation of our tax documents.
- Stephen Unsworth for his wise legal counsel.
- The Town of Shelburne for the space and support it provides, and especially the Recreation Department for carrying bread trays and egg deliveries.
- The UVM graduate dietetics’ students who provided samples of healthy snacks and food choice nudges.
- All the schools, businesses, and churches in town who have conducted food drives.

And to our Partners:

- Cathedral Square and their SASH coordinators
- Harbor Place and CHT
- The Vermont Food Bank
- Shelburne Community School

Board Members

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