



# Hope House of Milwaukee, Inc.

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*Ending homelessness and creating healthy communities*

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## UNITED SOUTHSIDE FOOD PANTRY

### Mid Year Report: January 1 – June 30, 2012

Current, local research shows that for too many low-income families, persistent hunger and poor nutrition are a sad, but preventable fact of life. In response, the **United Southside Food Pantry** - the fourth largest emergency food distribution site on Milwaukee's south side – has developed a multifaceted continuum of services designed to reduce hunger, improve nutrition, and enhance quality of life for households in the 53204 zip code. The three tiers – healthful food distribution, applicable education on good nutrition and general wellness, and relevant service referral and linkage - create a positive, proactive, and integrative method for recipients to learn, develop, and apply new behaviors and strategies that improve and maintain their quality of life. The United Southside Food Pantry seeks to reduce hunger today and lead to good health tomorrow.

### PARTICIPANT DEMOGRAPHICS

The geographic community served by the United Southside Food Pantry extends throughout the 53204 zip code, comprised of a mix of long-time homeowners and a number of new immigrants who occupy a variety of rental units in the area.

**To date in 2012, a total of 1,779 households received emergency food distributions. This amounts to more than 5,012 people – 2,874 adults and 2,138 children.**

**Monthly averages for the year are 297 households - average of 479 adults and 356 children.**

### PROGRAM GOALS, INDICATORS AND RESULTS

The United Southside Food Pantry offers immediate and interim services and programming with the intention of promoting long-term change in participants.

**GOAL 1: TO REDUCE HUNGER FOR PARTICIPANTS**

**Indicator:** *Participants will receive healthful food distributions.*

**Results:** **On average, 297 households per month have received emergency food baskets during this year.**

**GOAL 1: TO EXPAND USE OF COMMUNITY BASED RESOURCES FOR PARTICIPANTS AND PROMOTE COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERISM**

**Indicator:** *Participants will receive new "Try Me" recipes and other healthy foods information each month.*

**Results:** On average, 297 households per month have received new recipes and health information hand-outs about diabetes, portion control, the on-site Angel of Hope Clinic, and the SNAP program.

**Results:** 946 hours of volunteer service have been provided to our pantry this year.