

## Welcome to Second Harvest Partners

The most measurable goal of Second Harvest Partners is to reduce hunger in York County by 10%. However, we believe that by providing referrals, training, and skill building, we can also help people become self-sufficient thereby reducing hunger beyond the 10% goal in the long-term.

At our Mobile Food Pantries volunteers from participating congregations give freely of their time and energy to ensure that the food is distributed as efficiently as possible to applicants who meet USDA eligibility guidelines. At each scheduled event, guests receive two bags of groceries per household until the food runs out. During 2010, in addition to our 17 partner churches, Second Harvest Partners will also join forces with other community organizations including the York County Department of Social Services, the Catawba Area Agency on Aging, and the Benefit Bank of South Carolina to provide important contacts and information to our guests.

Second Harvest Partners is funded by the participating churches. A Volunteer Training Grant was provided by the Presbyterian Church USA in January 2010. For more information about Second Harvest Partners, contact Dot Killian at [dot@providencepres.org](mailto:dot@providencepres.org) or call (803) 517-7870.



*How does it feel to feed the Hungry?*

Join Second Harvest Partners and find out. Contact Dot Killian at [dot@providencepres.org](mailto:dot@providencepres.org)

# 2010 Information



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## Frequently Asked Questions



1. What is the Second Harvest Partners? *Second Harvest Partners is an ecumenical collaborative of churches in the York County area whose mission is to address*

*hunger and build self sufficiency in its clients. The Congregational Development and Mission Ministry Team of Providence Presbytery and St. Mary's Catholic Church are the sponsors and coordinators of the Second Harvest Partners.*

2. What are the requirements for participation as a host church? *Congregations interested in participating in Second Harvest must provide a suitable location for the mobile pantry, volunteers, and pay the stated fee set by Second Harvest.*

3. What is a mobile food pantry? *A mobile food pantry is a distribution site set up at a specific location for a period of time, usually a day.*

4. Where does the food come from? *The food for Second Harvest Partners comes from the United States department of Agriculture, local grocery chains, and discount distributors. Second Harvest Food Bank in Charlotte supplies food for Second Harvest Partners.*

5. How much does it cost for a congregation to participate? *The cost of the mobile pantry is \$300. Other costs include postage, printing, volunteer*

*training, and refreshments for volunteers, and purchase of paper bags.*

6. Where do the volunteers come from? *Volunteers come from participating churches and others in the community who are interested in addressing poverty. The volunteers are responsible for registering the guests, unloading the truck, bagging the groceries, and distributing the food to the guests.*

7. What will our church be responsible for if we join? *The host church will be responsible for providing a safe and appropriate location for the pantry, identifying volunteers, advertising the mobile pantry, developing a system for distributing the food, and paying the \$300.00 at least 30 days prior to the food distribution date.*

8. How many people are served at each site? *The number of persons served at each site ranges from 175-315. In addition to persons served on site, children, elderly, and disabled persons living in the homes of our guests also benefit. More than 5000 people were served during 2009.*



9. Are churches able to partner with each other to host the mobile pantry? *Churches are encouraged to partner with each other to sponsor the mobile pantry. One of the goals of the ministry is to develop relationships among churches across racial, denominational, socio-economic, membership size, and other traditional division lines. The coordinators will assist churches in identifying possible partner churches.*

10. Are volunteers allowed to take the food home? *Volunteers are not allowed to take food home unless they complete an application and meet the requirements of the USDA the same as all other guests.*

11. Who is eligible to receive the food? *Any person who meets USDA eligibility guidelines. Forms and information are available at the Mobile Food Pantries.*

12. What kind of food is distributed at a Mobile Food Pantry? *A variety of food is distributed at each mobile pantry site. Fresh vegetables, fruit, bread, cheese, canned items, cereal, crackers, potatoes, condiments, juice, and frozen entrée's are the usual items on the truck. Neither the host church, nor the coordinators know which items will be on the truck until the truck arrives at the site.*



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## **Hunger Relief Sites**

April 20	Mt Zion Baptist, Great Joy Baptist, Bethlehem First Presbyterian & Mt. Do-Well Baptist at Mt Zion
May 25	Foundation A.M.E Zion (Leslie, SC)
June 29	Oakdale Presbyterian Church (Clover)
July 27	Unity Presbyterian & Jerusalem Baptist at Unity (Fort Mill)
August 31	Ebenezer Baptist & Mt. Prospect Baptist at Ebenezer (Herlong Avenue)
September 2	Mt Zion Baptist, Great Joy Baptist, Bethlehem First Presbyterian & Mt. Do-Well Baptist at Mt Zion
September 28	Flint Hill Baptist & Grace Lutheran at Flint Hill
October 7	Union Baptist & Allison Creek Presbyterian at Union
October 26	Jerusalem Baptist & Unity Presbyterian at Jerusalem
November 3	Hermon Presbyterian & St. Mary's Catholic at Hermon
November 15	Foundation AME Zion at Foundation
December 14	Faith Presbyterian Church at Faith

**All food recipients must meet  
USDA Eligibility Income Guidelines**

***Some Sites will also include representatives from South Carolina DSS and Catawba Area Agency on Aging in order to assist guests with applications and services available through other agencies and organizations.***