Loaves & Fishes’ mission is to provide nutritious food, in an atmosphere of kindness and respect, to individuals in need who reside in Ayer, Devens, Dunstable, Groton, Harvard, Littleton and Shirley.

All names and photos used in the client stories/quotes throughout this publication are fictitious to protect the privacy of our clients.
The past year has been a very difficult one with many unfortunate things happening in our world. There is much to be sad, anxious and angry about, however, there are also many reasons to be grateful. Sometimes difficult times bring out the best in all of us and that is exactly what we have witnessed at Loaves & Fishes!

When the Pandemic hit, we converted the Pantry to a no-touch, drive-thru operation! The staff and volunteers were flexible and understanding as we worked through challenges. Donors were extraordinarily generous and our community rallied to support our neighbors who were struggling to make ends meet.

In the past year, over 804 local families, over 2,000 individuals, received food, support and hope thanks to our caring community. Some were earning minimum wage and trying to stretch their hard-earned dollars to pay their mounting bills. Others lost their jobs and were in danger of losing their homes. Some were seniors struggling to survive on a fixed income, and others, like Joe, had health challenges. Joe visited us recently, with his oxygen tank in hand. His health is deteriorating quickly and he knows his time is short. He simply wanted to say goodbye and thank you.

Thank you from Joe. Thank you from all of our clients. They still need us....

With sincere gratitude,

Patty
Patricia Stern
Executive Director

Andrea
Andrea Myette
President, Board of Directors

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### Board Members

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**A special thanks to Scott Lewis for his years of leadership!**

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804 households/2,031 individuals received nutritious groceries

72% of the households earned less than $25,000 annually

614,085 pounds of groceries were distributed

15% were seniors

247 new families visited the Pantry

28% were children
85 CENTS of every dollar donated went towards client services!

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**TOTAL SUPPORT** $2,187,681

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES** $1,797,361

Where do our monetary donations come from?

- **INDIVIDUALS** 62%
- **BUSINESSES** 14%
- **GRANTS** 13%
- **COMMUNITY GROUPS** 11%
- Other 14%
Every Donation Counts

ANNUAL APPEAL

Several individuals and local businesses pledged to match donations up to $16,000 during our Annual Appeal:

- Bailey & Smith Construction, LLC
- Custom Contracting, Inc.
- Devens Grill
- Great Road Farm & Garden
- Harvard Alpaca Ranch
- Laddawn, Inc.
- Lazaro Paving Corporation
- Lee Muir-Haman Watercolor Painting
- Leslie H. Row, LICSW
- ODIC Incorporated
- Senate Construction
- Sierra Ventures
- Don & Janet Stevens
- Wilson Brothers HVAC, Inc.

This was our most successful Annual Appeal in the history of the Pantry!

“When my son David told me he was hungry, it broke my heart.”

“I’ve always been a hard worker and never pictured myself going to a food pantry, but rent, utility bills and insurance have all increased so much and money for groceries has been limited. I’ve been doing the best I can but we eat a lot of noodles, soup and peanut butter sandwiches. When my son David told me he was hungry, it broke my heart. I saw a brochure about the Pantry at the grocery store and knew what I needed to do. I am so thankful for Loaves & Fishes, they’ve given me food and hope!”

Sincerely, Daniel

EVERY COUNTS!

Thanks to our Coin Canister Collection hosts throughout the region, Loaves & Fishes received over $5,300 in donations last year!

Acton Toyota of Littleton
Aubuchon Hardware-Ayer
Aubuchon Hardware-Littleton
Blood Farm-Groton
Carlson Orchards-Harvard
Connections Physical Therapy-Harvard
Craven’s Package Store-Groton
Du’s Tailor & Cleaners-Ayer
Filho’s Cucina-Groton
Great Road Farm & Garden-Littleton
Great Road Liquors-Littleton
Groton Market
G.W. Archer Mobile-Ayer
G.W. Archer Mobile-Littleton
Harvard General Store

Jack O’Lantern Package Store-Ayer
Moison Ace Hardware-Groton
Moore Lumber & Hardware-Ayer
Moore Lumber & Hardware-Shirley
Net Variety & Liquors-Shirley
Professional Hair Design-Ayer
Rapid Refill-Devens
Reddy Family Dental-Harvard
Shin’s Dry Cleaning & Alterations-Shirley
Shirley Package Store
Sorrento’s Pizzeria-Harvard
The Vineyard-Ayer
Tiny’s Restaurant-Ayer
Westward Orchards-Harvard
Wok N Roll-Ayer
Harvest Club Partners

PLATINUM LEVEL PARTNER
$10,000 and above

Bristol-Myers Squibb Foundation
Cambridge Trust Company
Catania Oils
Community Foundation of North Central Mass-Fitchburg
Digital Federal Credit Union-Marlborough
Donelan’s Supermarket-Littleton
EFSP National Board
Further Forward Foundation
Hannaford Supermarket-Lunenburg
Hannaford Supermarket-Townsend
John & Eunice Charitable Fdn.
Market Basket-Littleton
Paul & Mimi Matisse
Nashoba GFW, Inc.
Northern Bank & Trust-Woburn
Roche Bros. Supermarket-Acton
Schwab Charitable Fund
Shaw’s Supermarket-Groton
Shirley Scout Drive
Shop ‘n Save-Ayer
Donald & Janet Stevens
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints-Nashua
The Greater Boston Food Bank
The Groton Neighborhood Food Project
The Neighborhood Food Project
The Shanklin Foundation
Trader Joe’s-Acton
United Way of North Central Massachusetts-Fitchburg
Whole Foods-Westford

GOLD LEVEL PARTNER
$5,000-$9,999

Steve Bakke & Julie Staraitis
Bemis Associates Inc.
Community Harvest Project
EOS Foundation
Kristen Grimes
Gaining Ground
Greater Lowell Community Fdn.
Holy Trinity Catholic Parish-St Theresa/St. Francis-Harvard
Timothy Ingraham
Johnson Matthey Pharma Svcs.
Jo Nicewicz Carville 1999 Trust
Lewis Studios
Littleton Community Farm
Littleton Community Television
Madigan Family Foundation Inc.
Massachusetts Bankers Assoc.
Charitable Fdn.-Boston
Massachusetts Youth Soccer Association-Lancaster
Brent & Roberta Maugel
Middlesex Savings Bank Charitable Foundation-Westborough
Nashoba Valley Medical Center
New England Apple Products Company
North Country Porsche Club of America
Porsche Club of America Northeast Region
John & Janice Ragun
Saint Anne Parish-Littleton
Michael Tosi
Richard & Jean Walsh

SILVER LEVEL PARTNER
$2,500-$4,999

Lee Burton
Cisco Systems-Boxborough
Kathleen Cole & Carolyn Hotchkiss
James Curran & Yolanda Rigali
Donelan’s Supermarket-Pepperell
First Church Unitarian-Littleton
First Parish Church of Groton
Garden at Church Meadows
Gary Garafola Memorial Golf Tournament
Guaranteed Rate Companies
Harvard Lions Club
Harvard Post Office
Harvard Unitarian Universalist Church
Paul Kouyoumjian & Lisa Webb
Little Leaf Farms
Warren & Meredith Kundert
Ted & Connie Lapres

Keith Marchand
Littleton Middle School
Nvidia-Westford
Olympus Corporation of the Americas
Matt Richard
Robert & Joan Dircks Foundation
Stephen Roach & Amy Hilbert
Ted & Mary Shasta
St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church-Ayer
James & Margaret Soucie
The Fieldstone Foundation, Inc.
The Sisters of St. Joseph of Boston
Town of Groton
Wilson Brothers HVAC, Inc.

“...The shelves in our kitchen were getting bare and the money to buy food was limited. Both my husband and I are retired but so much money is spent on medical bills and just trying to get by every month. We received your newsletter and decided to attend your drive-thru service. We were overwhelmed with the food that we received - fresh produce, eggs, cheese, meats and some fresh bakery goods! We were in tears as we sat down for our first meal with the food that we received from the Pantry. We appreciate all of you - thank you for making our lives better and healthier!”

-Charlotte & James, clients
A Helping Hand Foundation, Inc.
Christopher Almy
Ayer Fire Department
Ayer Post Office
Ayer/Shirley Recycling
Ayer Shirley Regional School District
Rich & Edi Baker
Keith & Vicki Bilaver
BJ’s Wholesale Club
Arthur Boisseau
David Braithwaite
Tim Buck
James Buonomo
Bursaw Gas & Oil
Eugene Buzderewicz
John & Ellen Cauley
Chad Conlin
Chubb Bermuda Insurance Ltd.
Church of Christ-Chelmsford
Clear Path for Veterans
of New England
Congregational Church of Littleton
Timothy & Dianne Cosgrave
Custom Contracting, Inc.
Beverly Cyr
Ann Davis & family
Gerard Delpriore
Sara Den Besten
Dick’s Market Garden
Digital Federal Credit Union-
Littleton
Glenn & Rebecca Doughty
Guilford Dube & Marcia Melanson
Enterprise Bank-Lowell
Epic Enterprises, Inc.
Jim & Lorraine Farnsworth
Frederick Findlay
Nathan & Jennifer Finch
Michael Fischella
Read Fleming
Christopher Forbes
Richard & Anne Fornicola
Brian Francis
David Gaynor & Bernice Goldman
David Glynn
Goldsmith, Prest & Ringwall, Inc.
Gove Farm
John Grady
Greater Littleton Interfaith
Council
Groton Knights of Columbus
#13140
Groton-Pepperell Rotary Club
Groton Police Department
Groton Public Library
Groton Woman’s Club
Gary Gumuchian
Joseph Harrington
Harvard Alpaca Ranch
Harvard Woman’s Club
Mark Hashem
Hans & Marianne Heer
Richard High & Ann Perkins
Hildreth Elementary School-
Harvard
Michael Horton
J & D Murphy Family Fdn.
J.K. Farnsworth Company
Aaron Jodka
Stephen & Diana Keaney
Maureen Keaty
Anne Kelly
Janet Kennedy
Timothy & Joan Keutzer
Kimball Farm
Laddawn, Inc.
Lazarro Paving Corporation
Dolores Lee
Douglas & Eileen Long
William Luby
Lura A. White Elementary
School-Shirley
Bruce & Lynne Man
Mark Martel
Michael McDonald
Sandy McKelvey
Michael & Mary McNulty
McNulty & Associates, Inc.
Raimund Merkert
Middlesex Corporation
John Miller
Christine Miska
Montachusett Opportunity
Council, Inc.
Lee Muir-Haman Watercolor
Painting
David & Joan Murphy
Scott & Julie Murray
David & Becca Newsham
ODIC Incorporated
Robert O’Neill & Mary Ystueta
Kathleen Oosterman
Stephanie Opalka
Our Lady of Grace Parish-
Pepperell
Elizabeth Paulding
Gina Perini
Ed & Sherry Popiolek
Project Bread
Mark & Sarah Rambacher
Philip & Diane Rayla
Lyle Reed
Nick & Nancy Rencricca
Renegade Miata Club
Richard & Cynthia Ressijac
Jeffrey & Margie Roffee
Rollstone Bank & Trust-Fitchburg
Rollstone Charitable Foundation

“I never thought this would happen to me, but it did! Due to the COVID-19 crisis, I was laid off from my job at a local restaurant. I’ve been struggling to pay my bills and have been surviving on peanut butter sandwiches and cereal. I learned about Loaves & Fishes from a post I saw on Facebook and managed to find the courage to visit. My sincere thanks to all the volunteers and donors—you’ve given me hope.”

-Brenda, a client
Miriam Smith
Andrew Sigel
Sierra Ventures
Thomas & Heidi Sikina
Don & Heidi Siegrist
Samantha Sickorez
Richard Shurtleff
Shirley Post Office
Russell & Linda Shappy
David & Yookyung Selig
Tom & Verna Sefranek
Leslie H. Row, LICSW
Theodore Ross
Philip Rosenberry
Elizabeth Romano
Robert Zimmer

We made every effort to include all of our Harvest Club Partners. Please accept our apologies and let us know if you have been missed. Some of our Partners wish to remain anonymous and have not been listed here.

We are grateful for all our partners and supporters.

To everyone who supported the Pantry with a monetary donation or the gift of food or personal care items...our sincere thanks!
Without the support of each of you, Loaves & Fishes could not continue to help our neighbors who are struggling.

Mary, a single mom with 3 children, heard about L&F from a friend. She works for a local school as an Aide during the school year and just learned that she lost her job due to COVID.

“I don’t qualify for food stamps and didn’t know how I was going to feed my kids until a friend told me about Loaves & Fishes. I can’t thank you enough.”

-Mary, a client
It Takes A Community

We are sincerely thankful to those who organized food drives...those who contributed financially...

...and for those who donated fresh produce.

Ayer Community Garden
Bluebird Berry Farm
C. Spiczka Farm
Community Harvest Project
Dick’s Market Garden
Gaining Ground
Garden at Church Meadows
Gove Farm
Groton Farmers’ Market
Healing Garden Support
Johnson Matthey Pharma Services
Kimball Farm
Little Leaf Farms
Littleton Community Farm
New England Apple Products Company
Restoration Orchard LLC
Srysks Farm

Westward Orchards, Inc.
Whitney Farm Stand
...and many home gardens
and area grocery stores
Words from a new client...

"Thank you so much - it’s been hard losing my job and being unemployed during the pandemic. I heard about Loaves & Fishes from a friend of mine who visited the Pantry a couple years ago when she was struggling. She encouraged me to visit and so I did. I’m just happy to have a refrigerator full of food!"

-Eric, a client

Many community groups, houses of worship and schools did their part too!
It Takes a Community

The young people in our community are an example to us all! Megyn sold lemonade & cookies and Hailey made dreamcatchers to raise funds for the Pantry!

The Groton Neighborhood Food Project set records!
The Pandemic presented challenges...

We converted to a no-touch, drive-thru operation.

Volunteers donned masks & gloves and carried on!
...but we didn’t give up!

We struggled to find a truck & driver to retrieve our orders from The Greater Boston Food Bank...these companies answered the call...

![Company Logos]

We saw a record number of clients - 110 - in one session!

New volunteers were recruited and we carried on knowing our neighbors needed us!
411 volunteers donated over 13,000 hours
Isabelle Katter  
James Kay  
Cathy Keady  
Celeste Keep  
Barbara Kemp  
Janice Kendall  
Jasmin Keramaty  
Tom Khuu  
Morgan Kimball  
Gwen Kimball  
Katherine Kimball  
Nicole Kinsella  
Jenn Klein  
Brigid Klingberg  
Brian Klingberg  
Craig Kosakowski  
Ann Krajewski  
Tyler Krause  
Barry Kroening  
Julie Kulchuk  
Belle Kuo  
Trisha Lamb  
Claire Last  
Lisa Last  
Timothy Last  
Stacey Laudenslager  
Jeffrey Laudenslager  
Evan Laudenslager  
Jadelyn Law  
John Lawlor  
Stefanie Lempp  
Betsy Lepine  
Scott Lewis  
Beth Lewis  
Kathryn Liebowitz  
Margaret Liversidge  
Curt Logee  
Jane Logee  
Peg Lorenz  
Ross Losch  
Nicky Lowney  
Polina Lu  
Elizabeth Lu  
Vivian Lu  
Bob Lucy  
Richard Lyons  
Jane Lyons  
Constantina Maeder  
Mufeed Mahd  
Aleta Manugian  
Brenda Marchetti  
Marga Marchetti  
Lisa Mareiro  
Kate Markowitz  
Natalie Mattison  
Jennifer Mayo  
David McCloskey  
Judy McDermott  
Thomas McKenna  
Paula McKeogh  
Kelly McNamara  
Charlie McQuaid  
Radhika Mehta  
Anand Mehta  
Reeta Mehta  
Andre Menard  
Cecile Menard  
Sondra Michaud  
Kenneth Miller  
Judy Moodie  
Danyelle Mottram  
Andrea Myette  
Jonathan Nardi-Williams  
Leslie Neville  
Janine Nichipor  
Kevin Niemira  
Renee North  
Debbie Noyes  
Olivia Noyes  
Cynthia Ober-Ressijac  
Julia O’Brien  
Beth O’Brien  
John O’Callaghan  
James O’Connell  
Kathleen O’Connor  
Violetta O’Donnell  
Joe Ofria  
Diane O’Hara  
Nancy Ohringer  
Columbus Okai  
Lisa Oldham  
Owen O’Neil  
Lauren O’Neil  
Rick O’Neil  
Michael Ortiz  
Philip Oslin  
Joanne Ouellette  
Jenny Outman  
Jessie Panek  
Linda Pappas  
Kirti Patel  
Devin Patel  
Karla Paxton  
Rosie Pellizzari  
Martha Perego  
Blaine Perry  
David Pillitteri  
Jennifer Pinney  
Alejandro Pizano  
Richard Pratt  
Lyle Prockop  
Walter Prokowiew  
Janet Providakes  
Libia Pulido  
Peter Quinty  
Kathleen Raftery  
Victoria Rainville  
Louisa Ratcliffe  
Gabriella Rausa  
Sam Remillard  
Nancy Rencricca  
Nick Rencricca  
Barry Rich  
Catherine Richard  
Matthew Richards  
Gregory Richards  
Karen Riggert  
Jacob Riggert  
Gloria Rios-Monarrez  
Jody Robinson  
Plinio Rocha  
Richard Roche  
Shelly Roche  
Jessica Roetzer  
Donna Romilly  
Lynne Roper  
Susan Roper  
Leslie Row  
Chris Ryan  
Don Rzasa  
Laurie Sabol  
David Sampson  
Dot Samsi  
Ramon Santiago  
Donna Savary  
Priscilla Scales  
Jon Schmalenberg  
Marilyn Schmalenberger  
Joseph Schmidt  
Fred Schrepper  
Ryan Schnepper  
Chris Schule  
Wendy Scott  
John Sewell  
Robin Sewell  
Jean Claire Shiely  
Zachary Shipman  
Jeanne Shirshac  
Charlene Shorey  
Kimberly Siddle  
Don Siegrist  
Richard Skoczylas  
Sarah Smith  
Robert Sniegoski  
Denise Soucy-Hansen  
David Spalding  
Vera Spohr  
Will Squire  
Jillian St. Jean  
Ken St. Jean  
Alexis Stalford  
Sara Stancombe  
Nancy Steele  
Andrea Steffek  
Christopher Steffek-Vogel

Words from a client...

“I want to thank all of you for the food that you provide for those who need it most. I visited your Pantry a while back and now I find myself in need of your help again. I am eating fresh vegetables and my diet is healthier too! Thank you from the bottom of my heart!”

- Steven, a client
411 volunteers donated over 13,000 hours

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