



The purpose of the Olean Food Pantry shall be to:

Provide food to the needy

Promote and foster increased awareness of hunger throughout the Olean area

Treat all persons with equal respect, courtesy, compassion and confidentiality

The goal of the Olean Food Pantry is that:

***"The client should leave with a heavy bag
and a light heart."***



*From OFP Constitution & Bylaws, Policies
& Procedures, Job Descriptions*

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Offering More Than Food

Areas to explore, strengthen, expand:

Referrals to other Social Service Agencies

Salvation Army, DSS & Catholic Charities

St. Vincent de Paul



Providing clothing (socks, scarves, hats, mittens, jackets)

Developing job descriptions

Raising awareness of Food Pantry

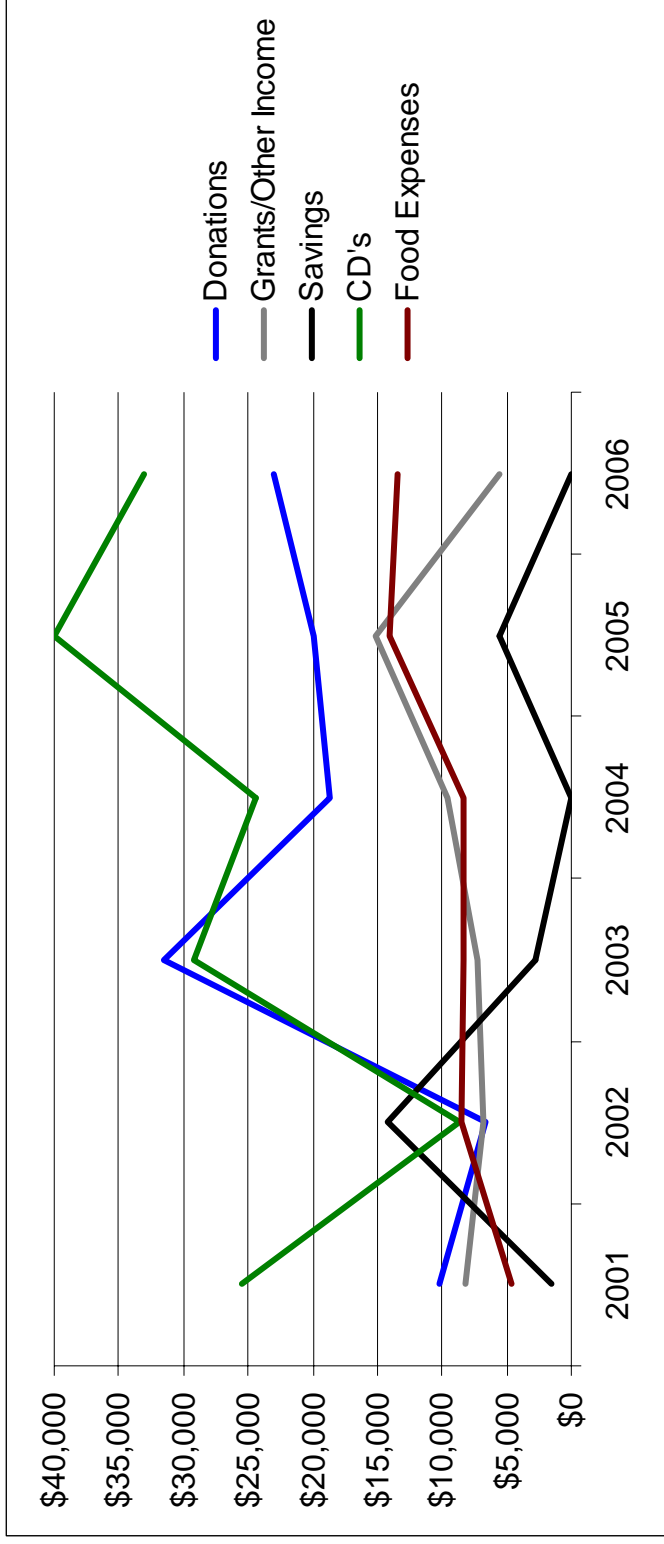
what we offer

where we are

Obtaining more grants to support budget (ex. matching funds)

Increasing involvement of committees

Food Pantry Income/Expenses



What we have done well:

- * Listened and learned
 - From clients
 - From folder of comments, ideas, suggestions (ex. better distribution of turkeys at Thanksgiving/hams at Christmas)
 - From visits to other Food Pantries

- * Donations—a complete listing of donors and in-kind donations will appear in the April newsletter.

* Received grants from

- HPNAP Operations Support
- FEMA
- Renodin Foundation

* Were visited by

- Barbershoppers (gave them a tour resulting in donation of vegetables, digital photo of volunteers in front of Food Pantry)
- Cornell Cooperative Extension who gave us nutritional information
- Food Stamps Representative—Community Action

* Hosted

- Picnic in the fall
- Recognition Dinner for Volunteers, including monetary expression of appreciation for their service

* Installed computer desk in office

- * Registered with RSVP Department of Aging

* Established two drop-off sites

- Olean Public Library
- Jamestown Community College

From a client:

Appreciate those that help others they don't even know

A Creative Giving Idea:

“Noisy Money” – Children circulate empty coffee cans at place of worship on the first Sunday of each month. People are encouraged to throw their change into the cans. (Quiet money in the form of cash and checks is also gladly accepted!) The contents of the cans are used to buy food for the Food Pantry.



(from Trinity United Methodist, 9th St., Olean)

Volunteers:

John Ahern, Jack Bollman, Christine Brook, Chris Burton, Frances Cardillo, OSF, Joe Carucci, Bob Clendenen, Sue Clendenen, Gail Cross, Gordon Cross, Maureen Curry, Polly Feightner, Sandy Friedrich, Joan Gattuso, Charlene Granger, Glenda Hall, Ester Kayes, Robin Land, Diane Nenko, Bob Olivett, Joe Quinlan, Tess Quinlan, Patty Sanders, Ben Schwabenbauer, Rose Schwabenbauer, Rob Shay, John Sheehan, Bob Sherman, Lucille Sherman, Sheilah Taylor, Terry Tears, Kelly Woodgie, Brian Zawatski

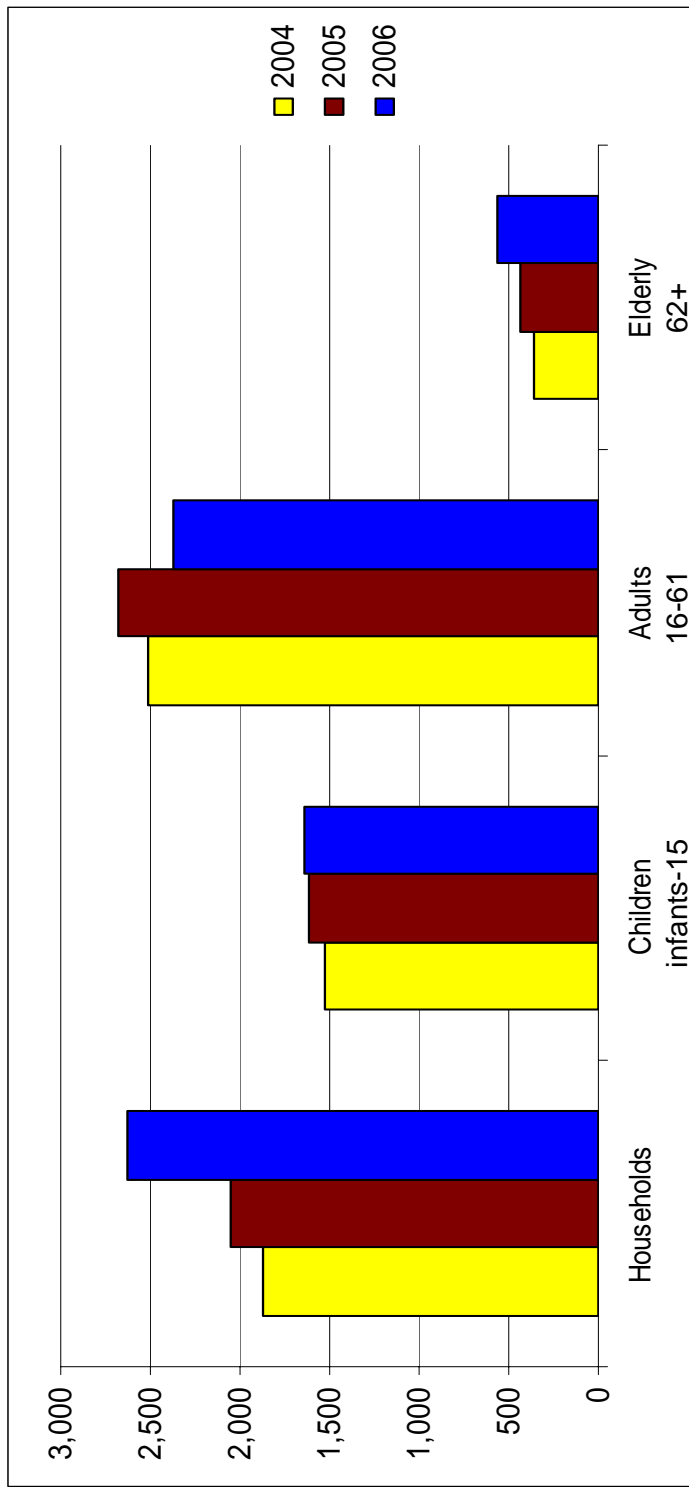
From a client:

The volunteers are very pleasant and the Food Pantry is very helpful to the public

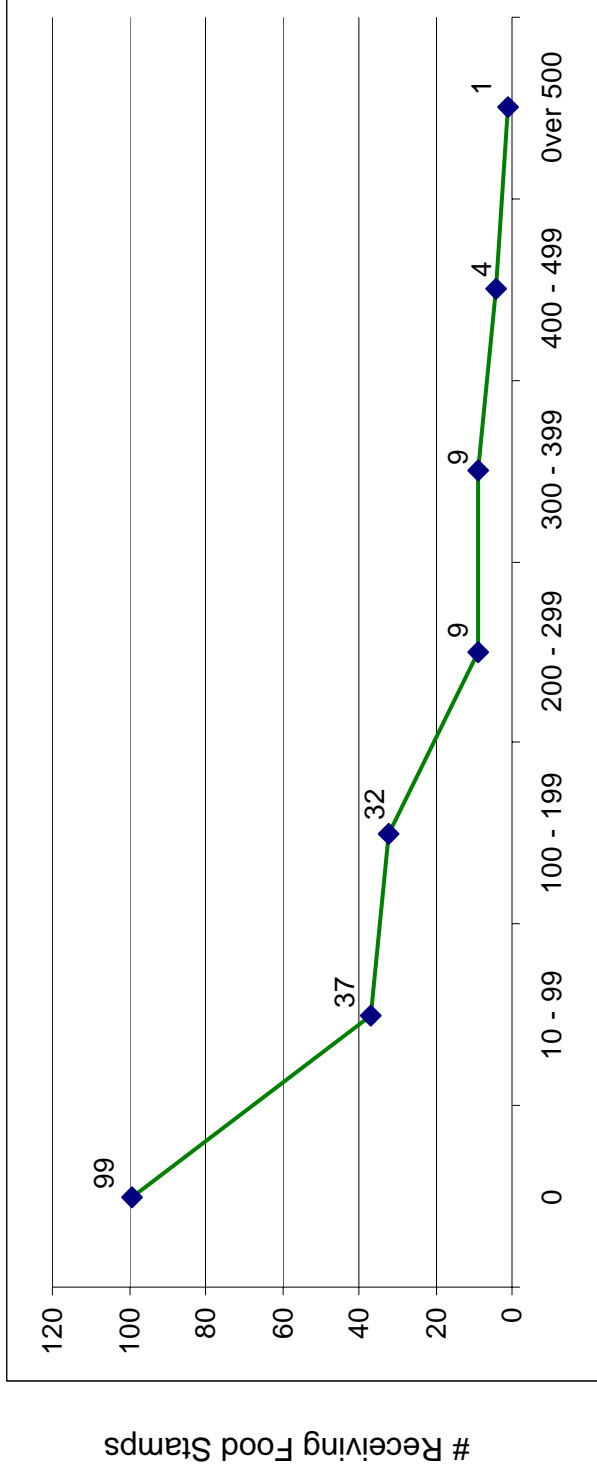
Thank You!

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People Served



Food Stamps (2007 YTD)

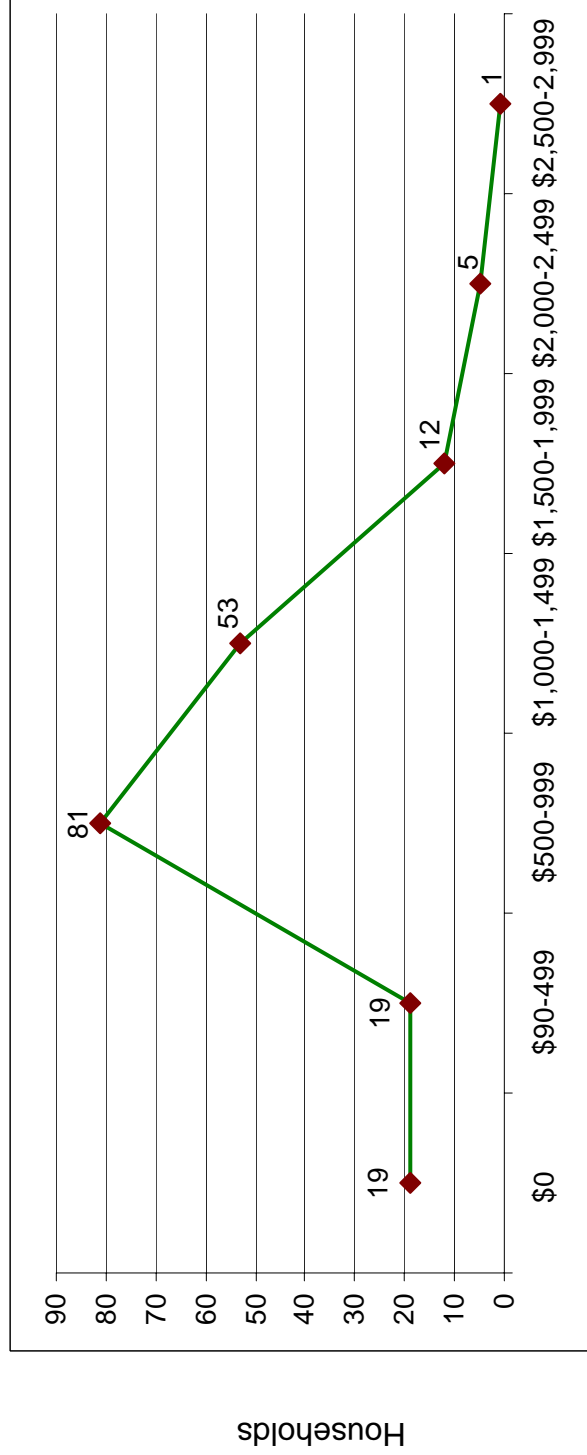


Amount of Food Stamps in Dollars

YTD=2/5/2007

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Total Monthly Income by Household (2007 YTD)



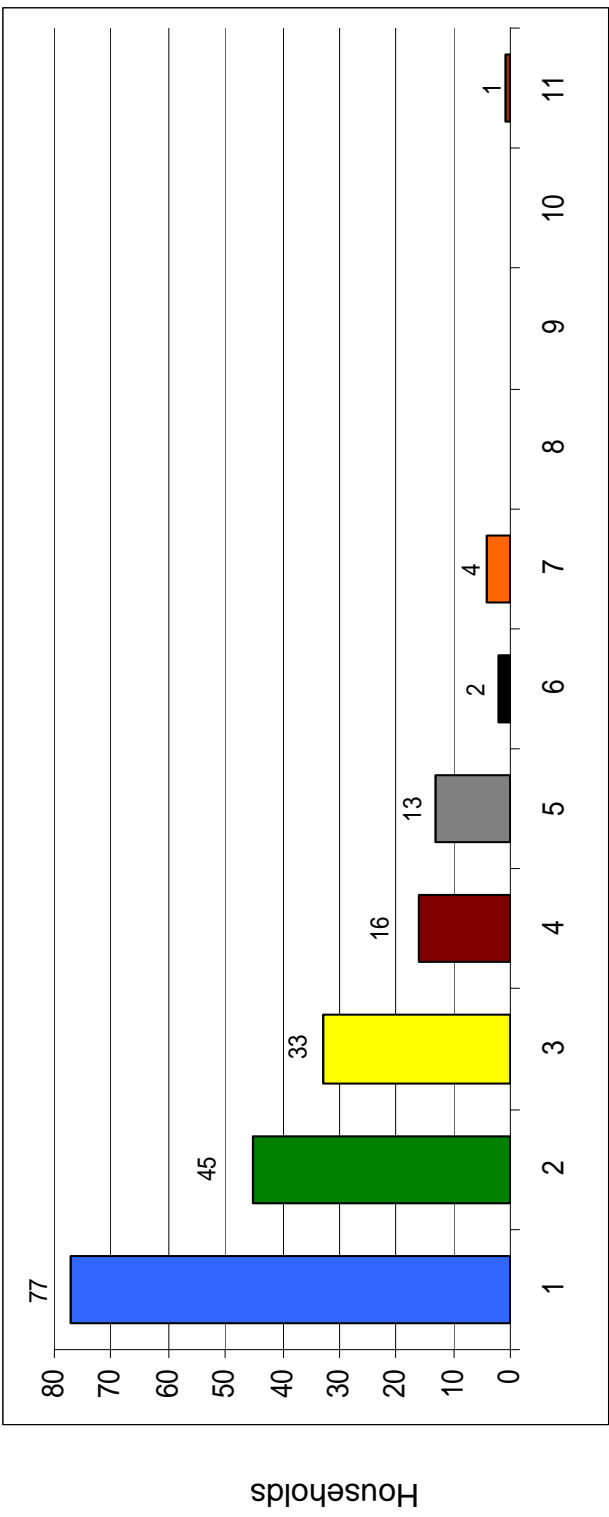
Social Security Facts & Figures:

34% of older Americans receive 90% or more of their income from Social Security.

65% of older Americans receive 50% or more of their income from Social Security.

Source: Social Security Administration, 1/2006

Total Number in Households (2007 YTD)

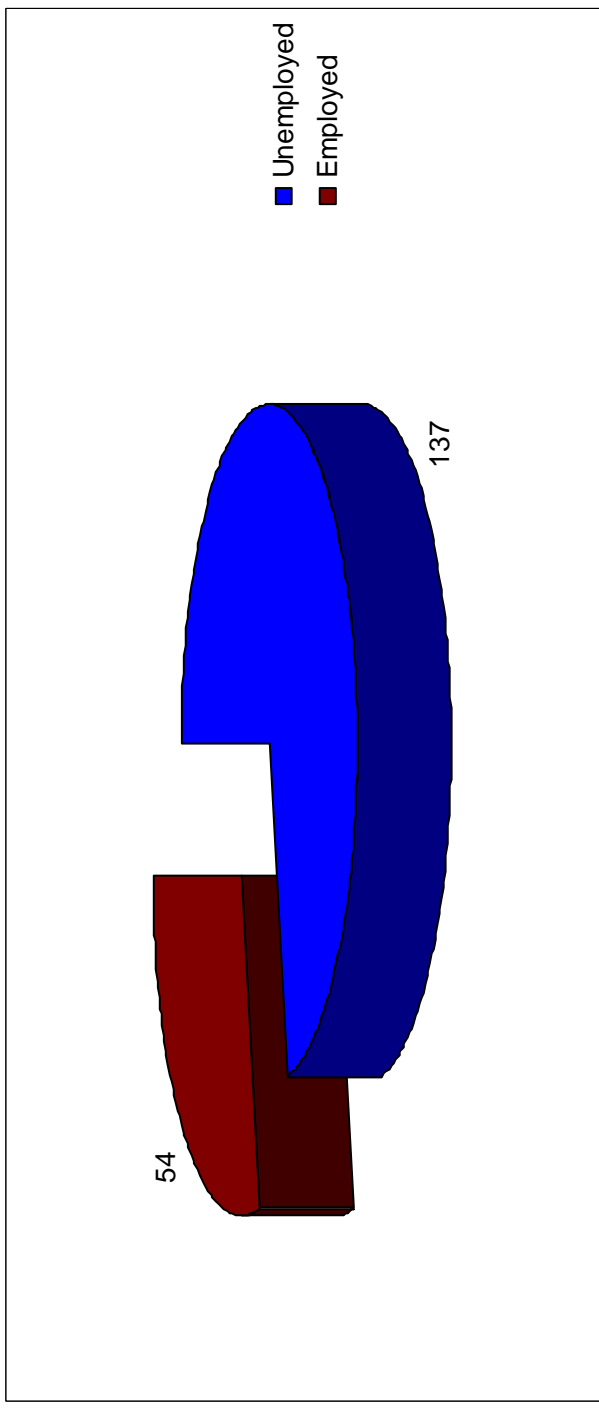


of People in Household

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Employed/Unemployed (2007 YTD)



Unemployed includes those receiving Social Security Income and Social Security Disability

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