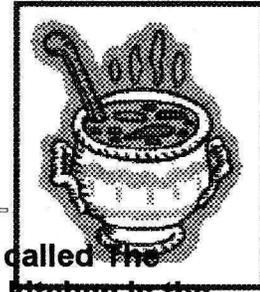


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Meals Served	Headline News:	Revenue Raised
March: 1,918 April: 1,857 Year to date 7,394	The Brethren Nutrition Program (BNP) received news in April that the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) was a huge success. Our Soup Kitchen was designated by Federal Government workers to receive the amount of \$23,000.00. With our pro rata share of undesignated funds we can expect a total of approximately \$38,000.00 in a 12-month period. There is a chance of approximately 6% of that total not being collected. In a skeptical environment with nonprofit scandals and an economy uncondusive to contributions, all Soup Kitchen supporters are praising God with our CFC results. We believe the spirit of God touched many hearts and minds toward The Soup Kitchen. Keep praying that	March: \$ 1,550.00 April: \$ 4,743.53 Year to date \$ 31,813.61

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Meals Served	Headline News: Fundraising Time!	Revenue Raised
September: 1909 Year to date: 17,107	<p>As the weather begins to change, the soup kitchen becomes more important to the less fortunate. It is also time for the Brethren Nutrition Program to start the budget and fundraising activities which will be summarized in a future web page. Today the budget is estimated at over \$60,000. One third of that is for two brethren volunteers (BVS) staff which includes travel, insurance, housing and a modest \$60 a month stipend. Total paid staff expense is around \$35,000. We pay another \$15,000 for utilities and phone. The cost of food that is not donated and van expenses, trash pick-up, floor cleaning and extermination will bring the total to over \$60,000 before any equipment repair expenses are factored in. If you look at the services of the Brethren Nutrition Program (see who we are) this could be the most efficient and effective use of our modest \$60,000.</p> <p>We need our fellow churches both in the Capitol Hill neighborhood and in the Brethren denomination to help the Washington City Church of the Brethren finance the \$60,000 plus it will take to run the Brethren Nutrition Program. Right now our two major fundraisers, the Fannie Mae walkathon and the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) are in progress. Last year Fannie Mae was our major fundraiser.</p>	September: \$ 266.25 Year to date: \$ 26,862.85 FY 2002 budget: \$ 34,700
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<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. mop heads 2. floor cleaner 3. dish soap 4. hand soap 5. storage containers 6. spices 7. condiments 8. soup base 9. drink dispenser 10. commercial mixer 	<p>The Brethren Nutrition Program commonly referred to as the Soup Kitchen has operated for over 25 years. This has been possible from the kindness and generosity of regular people like yourself. Such examples are this web page (Kurt Pluntke), the computer equipment, and the internet access (Greenmount Church of the Brethren in Harrisonburg, VA, and River Valley Church of the Brethren in Moorefield, WV). Our inclusion in the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) is the result of efforts by church member Debbie Miller. The foundation structure that was implemented in the Brethren Nutrition Program reorganization was</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Susan 2. Mrs. Lee 3. Easton COB 4. Mechanics Grove 5. Capitol Hill Day School 6. Vernice 7. Woodbridge COB 8. David 9. Quinton

	<p>implemented by volunteer Terry Lewis, and two BVSers, Torin Eickler and Shannon Hildenbrand. Our major fund-raiser, the Fannie Mae walkathon has been coordinated by church members, Sauni Ikenberry, Nfombi Penner, and BVSer, Sarah Stover and Mary Ann Zehr. Mary Ann coordinated the walkathon last year and is continuing the outreach effort at present. The Brethren Nutrition Program exists because people care. I want to take this opportunity to thank the aforementioned people and all other volunteers and contributors. Please continue to volunteer, contribute, and pray for us.</p>	<p>10. Jessica 11. Jane 12. Karen</p> <p>GOOD LUCK</p> <p>Kara Michelle Bernadette Guzzetti in London working on world nuclear disarmament.</p>
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Participate November 23rd in the soup kitchen's largest fundraiser for the year! [Click here.](#)

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July: 2,696 August: 2,858 Year to date 17,657	The Brethren Nutrition Program's (BNP) mission is not only to feed people, but to help stabilize the lives of our lunch guests. The Brethren Nutrition Program has either a partnership or working relationship with the following organizations: the Community Action Group, Samaritan Inns, and Gospel Rescue Mission for drug or alcohol rehabilitation; the Friendship House for clothing; the Lutheran Church of the Reformation for emergency food (pantry); Capitol Hill Group Ministries for emergency assistance for rent and utility payments; Miriam's Kitchen for help with identification; Strive DC, Community Family Life Services,	July: \$ 4,316.88 June: \$ 3,970.86 Year to date \$ 47,317.06

	<p>the Capitol Hill BID, and Jobs Partnership of Greater Washington for job orientation and placement assistance. When somebody wants to change or improve themselves the staff of the Brethren Nutrition Program is ready to help. Keep praying for our lunch guests.</p>	
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