



Brethren Nutrition Program
CFC#7313

WE NEED YOUR HELP

The Brethren Nutrition Program, commonly referred to as The Soup Kitchen, is gearing up for our fund-raising campaign.

The Soup Kitchen is in its 25th year. We are the only free lunch program that operates Monday through Friday on Capitol Hill. Presently, we serve lunch from anywhere between 80 to 120 guests on a given day most of whom are homeless. A recent survey found that approximately 30 percent of our male guests are veterans.

The dining room is open from 11:30 to 1:30. So in addition to a nutritious meal we also are a two-hour refuge from the streets. The Brethren Nutrition Program has partnerships with other service providers. Within our facility we have scheduled legal services, medical services, including psychiatric counseling, a bible study, and of course, pastoral counseling (upon request). We also refer clients to social services such as emergency shelters and substance abuse programs and we are the mailing address to over 50 homeless people.

Our operation functions largely on contributions and volunteers

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 budget and fund-raising activities. 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 plus van expenses, trash pick-up, floor cleaning and other services will bring the total to over \$60,000 before any expenses for repairs are factored in. Considering what the Brethren Nutrition Program does, this could be the most efficient and effective use of our modest \$60,000.

We will give monthly revenue and expense updates on our website so anyone can see how important even a small contribution is and everyone can feel confident that their contribution is going to a good cause. That is why we encourage you to visit The Soup Kitchen during lunch.

Can you help us by walking in the upcoming Fannie Mae Help the Homeless Walk-A-Thon on Saturday, November 23, 2002 at the National Mall (**walk for BNP**) or

help us by designating, The Soup Kitchen of the Washington City Church of the Brethren Nutrition Program, **CFC#7313**.

Your contribution will make a difference.

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Summary of 2001 Year

The Soup Kitchen of the Washington City Church of the Brethren Nutrition Program has been serving the hungry for 20 years by providing hot lunches daily Monday through Friday year round. The Soup Kitchen of the Washington City Church of the Brethren Nutrition Program adds to the human health and welfare of residents of the area by meeting emergency hunger needs.

The Soup Kitchen of the Washington City Church of the Brethren Nutrition Program's main purpose is to serve emergency hunger needs. The program provides healthy lunches consisting of soup, a sidedish, bread, drink, and dessert.

In addition to meeting the needs of hunger, guests often receive psychological counseling, legal counseling, health care, and job referrals, through the many professionals who volunteer their services over the noon meal hour. Also, a minister is always available for pastoral care needs.

The Soup Kitchen of the Washington City Church of the Brethren Nutrition Program is for everyone. While the program welcomes all who are hungry, the majority of guests are homeless adult males, primarily from Southeast Washington. The program, simply known by its guests as the Soup Kitchen, has served as many as 300 people and as few as 50 people. Numbers fluctuate depending on the state of the economy and the time of month. Currently, the Soup Kitchen of the Washington City Church of the Brethren Nutrition Program serves approximately 100 people daily.

We welcome volunteers and guests. If you have any questions concerning the purpose or services of the Soup Kitchen of the Washington City Church of the Brethren Nutrition Program please call at 202-546-8706.

**Statement of Revenue and Expenses
For the Year of 2001**

Revenue	
Contributions	\$14,326.87
Fannie Mae	12,922.00
CFC	<u>5,542.91</u>
Total Revenue	\$32,791.78

Expenses	
Occupancy (shared utilities)	\$18,149.88
Salaries	28,341.90
Supplies	1,203.56
Telephone	572.76
Printing	412.54
Food	4,502.33
Discretionary Kitchen Fund	<u>101.04</u>
Total Expenses	\$53,284.01
Deficit	(\$20,492.23)