



Annual Report 2009

March, 2010 A Message from the President:

Dear Friends,

It has been quite a year of change and growth for the Hunger Task Force!

The first change came with Joe Chilsen stepping down from his post as board member and president. The Board of Directors extends a sincere thank you to Joe for his years of service and for his ongoing dedication to the mission of the Hunger Task Force. He continues to support the organization in a variety of ways.

The Board has grown this year with the addition of Joanne Stephens, Barb Buswell, Keith Buswell and Cheryl Dutton. All have proven to be welcome assets to the efforts of the Board and all of us working together have accomplished a number of goals aimed at strengthening the Hunger Task Force.

Through strategic planning sessions, the Board has charted a path that involves greater recognition of

ultimate goal in amplifying awareness is to enhance donations and involvement, allowing for growth and increased supplies.

We also initiated quarterly meetings with our partner agencies. The meetings are designed to share ideas, problems and resolutions. We hope to determine how we can better work together with greater efficiency and less duplication of efforts in meeting the needs within our communities. The gatherings will also be used to offer educational opportunities.

Through our course of action, we intend to address the ever-present need and the growing need generated by our current economic climate. Our partners have all seen increases in the numbers they serve and more organizations are requesting assistance from the Hunger Task Force. Together we will strive to meet the demand and continue on with our mission to eliminate hunger, hoping to make the coming year our best and strongest ever!

Nancy Fee
Board President
Hunger Task Force

Executive Director's Report

2009 Board of Directors:

President: Nancy Fee

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Terry Witzke

Joanne Stephens

Cheryl Dutton

Ken Schmocker

Keith Buswell

Barb Buswell

The Hunger Task Force of
La Crosse thanks these
outgoing Board members
for their dedicated service
to our mission.

Joe Chilsen

Linda Ziehm

The Hunger Task Force and its recipient agencies continue to grow! New agencies joined us in 2009 and our service area increased into Vernon County. We welcome the opportunity to partner with them in our fight to end hunger! As we see more and more families struggling to keep up in the current economy, we are privileged to serve and grateful for the continued support from our community.

The 2009 Hunger Conference held at Viterbo in March was successful and was a wonderful addition in our plan to be a voice for the hungry. In 2010, we continue our efforts with our 2nd Hunger Forum; a series of discussions by which to develop a plan of action for The Hunger Task Force and its community partners. It is truly uplifting that we are working collaboratively to target and end food insecurity.

Major plans are in the works as a result of our strategic planning. We are excited to see where it will lead us! The Hunger Task Force is making a difference. The Kane Street Community Garden grows as a resource for low-income individuals and families who need healthy foods. In 2009, 32,241 pounds of fruits and vegetables were harvested and given to the community. The Food Recovery Program saw an increase from previous years in food recovered and distributed.

One thing remains unchanged: Our commitment to keep the hunger issue visible and encourage community interaction to fight against it.

In Service,

Shelly Krause, Executive Director

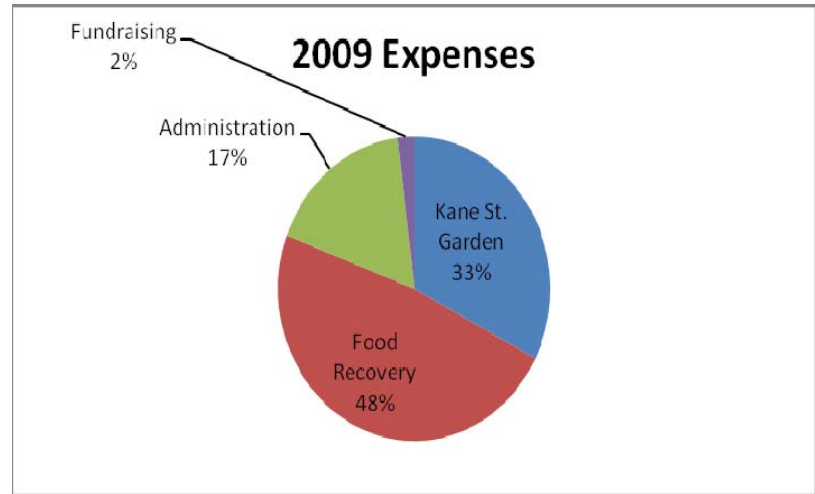


**"To eliminate hunger by harvesting community resources and being
a voice for the hungry"**

Financial Report

HTF Expenses During 2009:

1. Kane St. Garden		
\$ 35071	33%	
2. Food Recovery		
\$ 51854	48%	
3. Administration		
\$ 18738	17%	
4. Fundraising		
\$ 2066	2%	



HTF Income During 2009:

Top Six Income Sources:

United Way Grant:	\$16,723
December Mailing:	\$16,051
March Against Hunger:	\$15,724
July Mailer:	\$ 9,650
FEMA:	\$ 8,000
Partner Support:	\$ 6,875

Grants:	\$ 31,019
Fundraising:	\$ 64,386
Unsolicited Donations & Community Support:	\$ 17,747
Partner Support:	\$ 8,975
Miscellaneous:	\$ 1,411
TOTAL:	\$123,538

Fund Balance 12/31/09: Treasury Index Account: \$26,739.25 Checking: \$19,184.23 CD: \$9,923.02
 Unaudited-For Internal Use Only

Food Recovery Program: Sites We Provided Food in 2009:

Pantries:

Cornerstone Community Church (6,562 lbs.)
Franklin Elementary (2,398 lbs.)
Hamilton Elementary (2,616 lbs.)
Learning Together Family Literacy (6,283 lbs.)
Logan Middle School (513 lbs.)
Longfellow Middle (450 lbs.)
Onalaska Middle School (3,318 lbs.)
Onalaska/Holmen Food Basket (23,966 lbs.)
Roosevelt Elementary (1,540 lbs.)
Stoddard Area Community Food Pantry (1,039 lbs.)
Summit Elementary (4,007 lbs.)
Three Rivers Fellowship Church (3,888 lbs.)
WAFER (91,978 lbs.)
YMCA (379 lbs.)
YWCA (736 lbs.)

Youth Programs:

Boys & Girls Clubs (8,834 lbs.)
YMCA Teen Center (1,002 lbs.)

Free Meal Sites:

Come For Supper (30,354 lbs.)
Coulee Council on Addictions (8,670 lbs.)
Monday's Meals (28,602 lbs.)
Onalaska United Methodist Church (2,793 lbs.)
Place of Grace (27,444 lbs.)
Presbyterian Church of West Salem (2,573 lbs.)
The Salvation Army (64,348 lbs.)

Transitional Housing/Shelter

LAAR Houses (2 sites) (3,821 lbs.)
New Horizon's (1,019 lbs.)
Oxford Houses (17,563 lbs.)

Other

La Crosse County WIC Program (3,552 lbs.)
La Crosse Housing Authority-7 sites (14,244 lbs.)
TLC Center (18,422)
Westby Our Savior's Lutheran Church (7,414 lbs.)

WELCOME to the recipient agencies who joined The Hunger Task Force in 2009!

Partners in Empowerment (1,270 lbs.) Cashton Cupboard and Closet

Crossfire

2009 Food Donors

A & W	American Warehouse	Bill Monroe
CenturyLink	Chart, Inc	CityPrayz
Company Store	Coulee Region Humane Society	Craig's Meats
Culver's	Darin Berg	Eagle's Club
Festival Foods	First Logic-Business Objects	Great Lakes Cheese
Irish Fest	Kane Street Community Garden	Kwik Trip
La Crosse County WIC	La Crosse Radio Group	La Crosse Rotary
Locknet	Macy's	Mathy Construction
Midwest TV	Martin Trucking	New Horizons
Onalaska Food Basket	Organic Conference	Organic Valley
Pilgrim's Pride	Place of Grace	Post Office Food Drive
Reinhart Foods	Reinhart Food Show	Sam's Club
Sara Lee	Scouting for Food	State Farm Insurance
Summit Elementary	Thanksgiving Dinner	The Salvation Army
Trane Company	Trempealeau Hotel	Tyson Chicken
United Methodist Church	U W- La Crosse	WAFER Food Pantry
Wal-Mart Distribution Ctr.	Westby Creamery	WI Blood Center
	Woodman's	

THANK YOU!

