



FISH OF WESTMINSTER, INC 2025 ANNUAL REPORT

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Fish of Westminster, Inc Food Bank



FISH OF WESTMINSTER, INC IS A 501(C)(3) Organization

From the Board of Directors

FISH of Westminster, Inc

January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025

FISH of Westminster has served the community of Westminster and South Adams County for over 50 years. Our primary goal has been, and continues to be, to address food insecurity within our community. In 2025, we provided 92,420 meals through the food pantry, the homeless outreach program, and Thanksgiving Dinner.

Westminster FISH began in 1970 with the following church partners: Fairview Christian Reform Church, Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Church of the Nazarene, Westminster United Methodist Church, Valley Lutheran Church, and Westminster Presbyterian Church.

The first food pantry opened in 1976. The Westminster Presbyterian Church food pantry opened in 1996; one of four food pantries operated in conjunction with FISH of Westminster at that time. Today, it is the only pantry operated in partnership with FISH of Westminster.

Although FISH of Westminster partners with multiple religious organizations, we are a non-denominational organization that serves all individuals, regardless of religious affiliation, within our community

To our donors and partners, we thank you for your continued support!

The Board of Directors,

Paul Langley
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Melissa Dukes
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Programs and Impact

Food Pantry

- 8,810 people were served from the food pantry (a 1% drop from 2024).
- 10 meals were provided to each client per month.
- 90,000 pounds of food were distributed.

Diaper Program

- An average of 30 families each month were provided 25-30 diapers and baby wipes per child.

Homeless Program

- 80 homeless clients were provided lunch and critical supplies such as gloves, socks, underwear, feminine hygiene products, blankets, tarps, sleeping bags, hand warmers, and water each week from volunteers walking Westminster/South Adams County homeless camps.
- 270 meals distributed monthly to an average of 120 people or 1,440 clients annually.

Pet Food

- Cat and dog food was distributed, upon request, at the food pantry to at least 20 pets per month.
- The Guardians of Westminster Hills Dog Park held a pet food drive for multiple organizations, including FISH, collecting approximately 1,500 pounds of cat and dog food. The food was repackaged and distributed to our clients.

Front Range Community College TRIO Upward Bound Program at Westminster High School

- 40+ students were provided snacks and hygiene products throughout the school year.

Thanksgiving Day Lunch

- 180 meals were served by the end of the event plus an additional 20 meals were provided through the food pantry.
- 40 people volunteered for 1-6 hours each to make this event happen.
- 6 organizations, including FISH of Westminster, hosted this annual event.

SNAP

The delay in payment of SNAP benefits in the fall of 2025 had a substantial impact on the food pantry as it did on most pantries. The number of clients increased in October and November from slightly less than 700 per month to over 900 both months.

Fortunately, both the state and local governments and our friends and neighbors stepped up to provide us with additional funds and food. Local businesses conducted food drives and neighbors bought extra supplies while grocery shopping, arriving almost daily with bags and boxes of food. Many first-time donors sent donations to enable us to purchase additional food at local markets during our frequent grocery runs. Quite a few neighbors reached out to volunteer. The State of Colorado provided 10 million to state food banks to underwrite the additional expenses incurred by local food pantries. Our share was over \$2,000. Finally, the City of Westminster publicized the times and locations of local food pantries via the internet and “211.”

As a result, we were able to provide a full box of food to every client who visited the pantry asking for help during the 3-week delay of SNAP benefits.

Developing the next generation of volunteers

Since before she could walk, one of our “volunteers” went shopping with her grandmother to get diapers and wipes to offer to any of our clients with babies and toddlers. As she learned to talk, she’d remind her grandmother they needed to buy diapers for the babies. Once she could walk, she would help by carrying in individual packages of diapers. At a very young age, she learned the joy of offering a helping hand.

Over the years, we have had a number of young people volunteer with FISH. On Thanksgiving Day, we were inundated with young people wanting to help. Many others have helped with deliveries, packing and stocking. And each year a handful of young people ask to work directly with clients.

It is through working with the next generation, we hope to be able to continue to meet the needs of people in Westminster, as we have for over 50 years.

Revenue and Expenses

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Revenue

Cash Reserves In	\$	17,322
Fundraisers		
Via Colorado Gives Foundation		8,250
Spaghetti Dinner		2,831
Other Fundraisers		430
Private Donations		7,430
Corporate Donations		1,000
Westminster Presbyterian Church		27,423
Grants		
City of Thornton		800
City of Westminster		10,000
Westminster Community Foundation		
Grant for Homeless Program		<u>10,000</u>
		85,406

Expenses

Food Pantry	49,856
Diaper Program	2,358
Front Range TRIO Upward Bound	896
Homeless Supplies	6,187
Thanksgiving Lunch	924
Fundraising	1,087
Administration	<u>3,015</u>
	64,323

Cash Reserves Out 21,083

Costs range from \$3,800 and \$8,000 per month. Fundraising peaks in the fall and winter with the receipt of grant funds.

Volunteers

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Carol Mauracher
Cynthia Steinheimer

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Donor Relations

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LDS Coordinator

Alan Farb
Homeless Outreach

Ana Bland/Ruth Gayton/Elise Wilson
Translators

Cynthia Jennings
Inventory

Volunteers

Barb Bates
Steven Bates
Kay Bell

Bret Billings
Gary Bland
Lisa Blowers
Chris Bryan
Tim Bryan
Sarah Burbeck
Brian Carlson
Gretchen Caudill
Ann Christopher
Bill Christopher
Bob Doran
Paula Doran
Deb Dougherty
Jack Durnell
Cliff Fales
AriAnne Gilliland
Don Goodman
Karen Goodman
Julie Graham
Matt Graham
Stacie Gregory
Laura Haney
Dottie Hulls
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Abigail Jenson
Jim Jones
Nicole Jones
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Lenita Lindholm
Tenny Lindholm
Colleen Mazzucca
Sam Mazzucca
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Wendy Maestas
Pat Middleton
Eileen Mogan
Carrie Olinger Durnell
Seana Oliver
Mary Beth Rule
Al Sanders

Barbara Scanlon
Julie Schneider
Pastor Denise Shannon
Maisie Steinheimer
Randy Steinheimer
Ed Vaughn
Joann Vaughn
Elise Wilson



Donors – Financial and In-Kind (Food, Supplies, and Support of Fundraisers)

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Government

State of Colorado
Adams County
City of Thornton
City of Westminster

Religious Organizations

Congregation B’Nai Torah
Denver Presbytery - PCUSA
First Presbyterian Church of Brighton
The Journey Church
Thrive Community Church
Westminster Presbyterian Church
Westminster Stake of the Church of
Latter-Day Saints
Westminster United Methodist Church

Foundations, Non-Profits, and Community Organizations

Boy Scouts of America & Sea Scouts
of America – Troop and Ship 324 and
Pack 376
Colorado Gives Foundation
Food Bank of the Rockies
Front Range Potter’s Association
Guardians of Westminster Hills Dog
Park
Happy Transplant Garden Club
Jefferson County Democratic Party
Latino Initiative

PEO Chapter HX – Westminster
Westminster Community Foundation

Businesses

American Online Giving Foundation
ATLAS CPAs and Advisors
Creation Technologies International
Go-Puff
King Soopers/Kroger’s
Maverik’s
MSG Entertainment Holdings
RBC Wealth Management
Thrivent Financials
Valenti’s Deli, Bakery & Italian Market
Wal-Mart

Individuals

Ava
Denise Abbate
Janet & Tom Alexander
Heidi & Curtis Avery
Brandon Baker
Janice Barker
Barb & Steve Bates
Shirley Beasley
Anna & Stuart Bell
Charles & Christine Bell
Kay Bell
Kristen Bellemar
Kathy Benedict
Dennis & Pat Bentley

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Sydnee Fullmer
Kim Fogerty
AriAnne Gilliland
Don & Karen Goodman
Kathleen Gunderson
Dean Hammond
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Al Sanders

Karen Hammond
Rachel Hasker
Pat Hendricks
Midori Higa
Lucille Hibberd
Elizabeth Humbert
Marge & Steve Innes
Bob & Cynthia Jennings
Jim & Nicole Jones
Patricia Jones
Gary & Jan Kuhlhanek
Myrna Lafferty
Paul Langley
Jean Lilly
Lenita & Tenny Lindholm
Robert Linn
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Richard Peterson
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Ian & Kasi Steinheimer

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Cindy Tyler
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Erma Whitcomb
Laura Wirfs



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