



Welcome to Domestic and International Feeding Challenges

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A Discussion Hosted by:
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Topic:
Reducing food purchase
costs through multi-
organization cooperation



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Topic:
Lessons learned from
operating both a food
pantry and a food
buying cooperative





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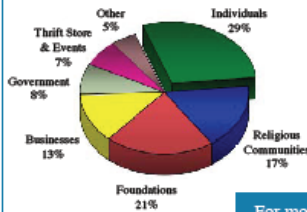


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EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY

- A three-day supply of emergency food for people in need
- Utah's busiest food pantry serves over 50,000 people each year
- Holiday food distributions help thousands more at Thanksgiving & Christmas
- Specializing in baby food, formula, and diapers
- Our emergency fund assists with prescriptions, bus tokens, gasoline, and other needs

Fundraising Income (2007)



THE COMMUNITY FOOD CO-OP OF UTAH



Crossroads operates a monthly food purchasing co-operative that has over 8,000 members in seven counties. Members save up to 50% on groceries and volunteer at least two hours per month in the community. The greater the number of people participating, the lower the cost of food. Our reach is focused on people who need help stretching their food budgets the most – food stamp recipients, seniors, and the working poor.

A volunteer team loads food at our warehouse. (1469 S. 700 West in SLC)

ADVOCACY & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

We work daily with food pantry clients and other low income people, as well as members of many different faith communities, to address the root causes of hunger and poverty. This commitment has led to new funding for low income housing, improvements in health care for the poor, creative options for mobile home park residents faced with eviction, and much more. Please see our web site for details on our plan to cut hunger and extreme poverty in half in Utah.



Anti-Hunger Action Committee members encourage people to get involved at a recent meeting at Crossroads.

THE CROSSROADS THRIFT STORE

- Clothing and household items given away free by referral
- Over 13,000 people receive free items annually
- Items also sold at the lowest prices in Salt Lake (86% given away free)
- Thousands of dollars worth of new kids' shoes and clothing given away free each year

WHO WE SERVE

- 27% are homeless, including whole families
- 39% are under 18 years old
- 51% have no income
- 25% have income from work, but can't make ends meet
- Utah ranks fourth in the U.S. for number of residents experiencing hunger according to the USDA (5%)

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Topic:

Value and challenges of creating a national network in support of local service delivery



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Topic:

Loan programs
available to food
buying cooperatives



Discussion and Next Steps

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Discussion Questions:

1. What are some of the benefits that could accrue from food buying cooperatives working together?
2. What organizations/service providers would benefit by working with the food buying cooperatives? How?
3. Other new partnerships, service models, or ideas to help address the challenges before us?

Next Steps



Lunch Break
12:15 - 1:00 pm EST



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