

**Phoenixville Area Community Services** 

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## **PHOENIXVILLE AREA COMMUNITY SERVICES** 2021-2022

# **Annual Report**

#### **A Letter From Our Board President & Executive Director**

PACS hit a major milestone in 2022 – 50 years of service to the Phoenixville community. We celebrated with a Casino Night Gala at the Phoenixville YMCA. PACS started in a small office on Gay Street with some donated furniture and a few volunteers. In 2022, we were settled into our new 23,000+ square foot building with offices, a pantry where people can choose the food they need and a warehouse to support food distributed from our building as well as about 17 surrounding organizations. As the lead resource for food insecurity in Phoenixville, PACS distributed food to over 45,000 people just through our doors.

What makes us especially proud to be involved with PACS is how everyone from our staff, volunteers, Board of Directors, and supporters are committed to exploring new ideas to foster food security in Phoenixville by first listening to the people we serve and coming up with creative and effective ways to distribute healthy food in respectful and sensitive ways. We understand not everyone can get to the PACS' doors, so we are always looking for ways to get food to where the people are, whether it's through pop-up locations, delivery service, or via another food provider.

In 2022, we also increased the food we bring in by adding more retail rescue venues, new programs to make individual food donations easier like "A Simple Gesture" that picks up food at the donor's house, and increasing the number of agencies we serve.

We have big plans for what more we can do to serve our community as the need for food continues to grow. Our successes in 2022 showed that our staff, Board members, volunteers and supporters have the passion and commitment to realize our vision for being a model of community feeding community by collaborating with area meal providers and outlets so we can serve our neighbors healthy, nutritious food with dignity and respect.





With your continued support and compassion for our community, we know PACS will serve our community for another 50 years.

All the best,

Frederick Hubler Jr. PACS Board President

Mary Fuller PACS Executive Director

#### **Our Dedicated Team**

#### **Ward Members**

Frederick Hubler Jr. **Board President** 

**Tony Odorisio** 

**v** Staff

**Mairi Dewey Operations & Volunteer Manager** 

Maria Jordan **Board Vice President** 

**Don Dewey Board Treasurer** 

Julie Mokrzycki Grant Writer & Daily Pantry Manager

**Janet Gerner Board Secretary** 

#### Members

Josh Baker Chuck Benz Marc Circus Dave Garlick Ryan Kerry Frank Loughry Connie Pollock Susan Verbonitz Marrea Walker-Smith Mike Claus Receiving & Maintenance Coordinator

**Debbie McGinn** 

**Erica Johnson** Social Media & Marketing Coordinator

**Mary Fuller** Executive Director

We would not be able to do what we do without our active volunteers!

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Pantry & Eligibility Coordinator

**Meredith Ferry** Warehouse Coordinator

Program & Development Coordinator



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#### **Celebrating 50th Years!**

2022 marked 50 years of service for PACS! In 1972, there was a small office on Gay Street, a handful of donated furniture, and a few volunteers with a heartfelt desire to help the people of Phoenixville.

Today, thanks to the community's support, our dream continues to thrive. We have helped thousands of people access healthy, nutritious food. From recessions and hurricanes (and even a global pandemic), you have helped us find a way to give people hope. Let's celebrate all we've accomplished together!



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#### **50th Anniversary Gala**



"It was such a pleasure working with everyone at PACS. Such a great night. Thanks to all who came out to support this wonderful cause." - Urb Appeal Events



#### 2021-2022 Annual Report

## **Financial Statement Fiscal Year 2021 - 2022**

Grants	\$487,435	
Government	\$43,038	
Contributions	\$266,101	
In-Kind	\$4,059,367	
Inv Income & Other Revenue	\$174,524	
Total Revenue	\$5,030,465	
Total Revenue	\$5,030,465	
<b>Total Revenue</b> Program	<b>\$5,030,465</b> \$4,600,551	
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### **Phoenixville Food Insecurity Team**

PACS facilitates a bi-monthly meeting with food pantries and meal providers in Phoenixville. This group is called the Phoenixville Food Insecurity Team (PFIT). Working together our goal is to improve food security for all in the Phoenixville Area. We create a weekly calendar showing where and when food is available. Current members include:

- Alianzas de Phoenixville
- Ann's Heart
- First United Methodist Church
- Grace Crossing Community Church
- PASD
- Phoenixville Area Community Services (PACS)

- Phoenixville Hospital
- Phoenixville Senior Center
- St. Ann's
- St. Peter's
- The Clinic
- Trellis for Tomorrow
- You Are Worth It Foundation
- Your Mom's Place

## **DOING OUR PART TO PROTECT OUR PLANET**

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## Food Recovery In Phoenixville 🔌

Each year, 119 billion pounds of food in the U.S. is wasted and ends up in landfills, while as many as 1 in 8 Americans continue face food insecurity.

At PACS, we believe a strong food recovery program can help address both of these important concerns.

Here in Phoenixville, PACS has increased its food recovery efforts by creating community partnerships with neighboring stores and restaurants.

"It's a great example of community feeding community," says Mary Fuller, Executive Director. "We're working with our neighbors to recover healthy, nutritious food that would otherwise be thrown away.

This enables PACS to provide more choices to those who need it and helps our entire community increase sustainability efforts.

#### THE TRUTH IS IN THE NUMBERS:

Our Retail Rescue program gained more momentum this year as we increased the number of outlets we rescue food from. Thanks to the efforts of our partners, volunteers and staff, we have successfully recovered and distributed hundreds of thousands of pounds of food! With the program's recent success, we expect next year's numbers to grow exponentially!





PACS FOOD RECOVERY PARTNERS:	
- Wegman's	
Giant	
Trader Joe's	
Redners	
- Lidl	
- Acme	
- Wawa	
- Vanguard	
(via West Chester Food Cupboard)	