

# A Note from the **Chairman**



Everyone directly involved with *Waste Not Want Not* knew that 2024 was going to be a year of change. There were two choices: we could be afraid of the change and stick our heads in the sand; OR we could embrace the change and look forward to the opportunities it can bring. I am pleased to report that the volunteers, the

staff, and the board chose to embrace the change and set the organization on a new path while maintaining our focus on our mission, vision and values.

Our sustainability has been and always will be dependent on the caring and giving service of our volunteers. We are grateful that they did not lose faith in the process of finding and hiring a new Executive Director but continued to do what they do best --- make a difference in people's lives by rescuing food and distributing it to agencies that deliver food directly to those in need. Thank you to every volunteer who at times works through difficult conditions to protect and preserve the reputation and reliability of *Waste Not Want Not*.

It takes a village to make *Waste Not Want Not* sustainable. I want to thank all those who believe so greatly in what we are doing that they make financial and food related contributions to the cause. We would not be in a position to look to the future without our donors. I want to especially thank **Craig Phillips**, the owner and operator of the **Chick-fil-A** on Wells Road for his role in the extraordinary donation that positioned *Waste Not Want Not* to make investments in staff and operations that set the course for future success.

Finding a successor Executive Director to Sandra Staudt-Killea was a challenging and time-consuming task. We are grateful for Sandra's passion and dedication to the organization that made 2024, and many years prior, a success. Sandra's work was essential to a successful transition process that resulted in the board hiring Kathleen Spears as our new Executive Director and preparing her to lead the organization into the future. Kathleen's energy, enthusiasm and dedication to the mission were on full display as we closed out the year with some important improvements that position the organization for a prosperous 2025.

**The future of** *Waste Not Want Not* is bright. Thank you to everyone that makes it possible for us to help fight hunger every day by rescuing food that would otherwise go to waste.

Sincerely,

**Rick Hood** *Chairman* 

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## A Note from the **Executive Director**

Happy 35th Anniversary to *Waste Not Want Not!!* This year is set to be a year of celebration as we look to the future. Last year, we saw the retirement of our long-time executive director, Sandra Staudt-Killea. Sandra's dedication to Waste Not Want Not over the last 21 years is incredible and her love for the organization is immeasurable. With her retirement, it became

apparent that we would need to expand our team given the organization's strategic goals that I have been charged with achieving.

#### Those goals are:

- Increase visibility of our organization, our mission, and our impact across our 14-county service area
- Increase dollars raised to fund the expansion of our mission and impact as well as to
- Enhance and upgrade our facility "the castle" and technologies in order to make more comfortable working conditions for our most valued asset – our VOLUNTEERS

As a result, we hired a director of mission delivery – Kelly Gentry. Many of you have met Kelly and have instantly connected with her! You may have also met her husband Bryce and sons Owen and Braydon as they can often be seen helping out around the castle. Kelly will continue the castle operations once led by Sandra, and will engage with and support our food distribution partners across our service area. Kelly has big goals of streamlining processes so that we can rescue more food and feed more people, particularly those in forgotten and hard to reach areas like our rural-dwelling neighbors and unhoused children and families living in cars and under bridges. We are also very fortunate to have Linda McKenzie continue on as our director of volunteer engagement. Many of you know of Linda's pure and kind heart and love for the mission. She keeps our volunteers engaged, connected, and organized among many other skills and talents she lends to the team. Linda has been instrumental in helping us plot out the steps necessary to achieve our goals.

Having Kelly and Linda on board frees up time for me to focus on increasing visibility, raising more money, and improving our facility and technology. This year, for the first time in the organization's 35-year history, we have a budget of nearly \$350,000! That is almost double prior year budgets. We have partnerships being built to help us install air conditioning, walk-in coolers, and freezers, and to beautify our grounds with the installation of an herb garden so our volunteers can harvest herbs to add to the shares of rescued food they distribute to our partners. We have lofty goals, none of which can be achieved without the support of YOU...our friends, and we hope you will continue to support us as we celebrate 35 years of fighting hunger + poverty.

Excitedly yours,

Kathleen N. Spears, PhD, MHA President & Executive Director

## Board of **Directors**

### OFFICERS

**Rick Hood** Chairman CSX Sr. Executive, Retired

Kathleen N. Spears, PhD, MHA President & Executive Director Waste Not Want Not, Inc.

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**Joe Markley** Treasurer First Florida Credit Union

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**Peggy Bryant** Board Member Emerita

#### STAFF

Alise Dillow Accounting Coordinator

Kelly Gentry Director, Mission Delivery

Linda McKenzie, MSA Director, Volunteer Engagement

Kathleen N. Spears, PhD, MHA President & Executive Director







## Our Community **Partners**

Walton Washington Jefferson Our community partners include volunteers, food Calhour Leon distribution partners, and food donors. Volunteers Wakulla Liberty make our mission possible! In 2024 with the help of 318 volunteers, donating over 20,200 of hours of their time, we were able to rescue and distribute 1.7 million pounds of food. Our food distribution partners - who span 14 counties across Northeast Florida - were able to get that 1.7 million pounds of food to people in need. Thanks to our community partners, we are able to reach people living in poverty and/ or facing food insecurity. Our collective impact meant that in 2024, over 225,000 hungry or food insecure people were fed. Waste Not Want Not saved our food distribution partners over \$2.4 million in food costs, saving them money that can be put back into executing their important mission.

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Santa Rosa

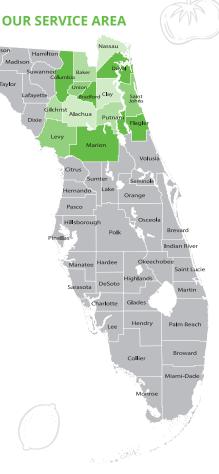
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## Food Distribution Partners

### **CLAY COUNTY PARTNERS**

Abundant Life Advent Lutheran Church (Tutoring) Black Creek Church of Middleburg Calvary Assembly of God Calvary Baptist Church Middleburg Calvary Methodist Church **Clay Behavioral Health Center** Clay County Emergency Food Assistance Program Clay County Homeless Outreach The Father's Heart Ministries First Black Creek Baptist Church The Food Pantry and Clothes Closet of Orange Park The Food Pantry of Green Cove Springs Good Samaritan Church Impact Clay Journey Church Kids First of Florida Lake Area Ministries Lake Asbury Junior High Marketplace Ministries McRae Elementary Middletowne Apartments MPWC (Charles E. Bennet ES) Orange Cove Seventh Day Adventist Church **Orange Park High School** Orange Park Methodist Church Praxeis Ministries, Inc. Springs Church St. Giles Presbyterian Church St. Luke's Parish Outreach WE Cherry Elementary

### **DUVAL & NASSAU COUNTY PARTNERS**

Amazing Life Church **Arlington Community Services Catholic Charities** Christ Resurrection Power Assembly **Community Health Outreach** Cornerstone Chosen Ministries Daily Growth Outreach Deliverance Christian Center Don't Miss a Beat Downtown Ecumenical Services Council El-Beth-El Evangel Temple Assembly of God (Samaritan House) God's Glory from Heaven Outreach Household of Faith Church The Hub 5 International Joseph's Pantry Impact Outreach Impacting Lives Christian Ministry Jacksonville Southpoint Seventh Day Adventist Church Jewish Family and Community Services Keys to the Kingdom Lifepoint Christian Fellowship Light of the World Lord's House of Praver Mandarin Presbyterian Church Messagiers Pour Christ New Creation Evangelical Church Northside Church of Christ Rolling Hills Baptist Church Saved 2 Serve

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church St. Matthew's Catholic Church Synagogue Center Tabernacle of Jesus-Christ Three Grains of Rice Mission Tiger Academy Trinity Deliverance Christian Church Trinity Lutheran Church Truth in Love TSI Cares Foundation Westside Church of Christ Worth Pursuing

#### ALACHUA, BRADFORD, COLUMBIA, FLAGLER, GILCHRIST, MARION, LEVY & UNION PARTNERS The Children's Table

#### **BAKER & BRADFORD COUNTY PARTNERS**

Ministers' Association (*Baker*) Bradford Food Pantry (*Bradford*) Fellowship Baptist Church (*Bradford*) Starke Seventh Day Adventist Church (*Bradford*)

#### **ST. JOHN & PUTNAM COUNTY PARTNERS**

Epic-Cure (*St. Johns & Putnam*) Feed the Need of Putnam County (*Putnam*) Just for Jesus (*Putnam*) Pie in the Sky (*St. Johns*) Putnam Pantry (*Putnam*) St. Monica's Catholic Church (*Putnam*)

## Food Distribution Partners

### **MISSIONS & SOUP KITCHENS**

Argyle Church of Christ (*Duval*) Calvary Baptist Church Middleburg (*Clay*) City Rescue Mission (*Duval*) First Baptist Missionary Church Oakleaf (*Duval*) Interlachen Soup Kitchen (*Clay*) River Christian Church The Kitchen of Clay County (*Orange Park, Green Cove Springs, Middleburg & Keystone Heights*) St. Catherine's at Sulzbacher (*Duval*)

### SMALL GROUPS/AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Advent Lutheran Tutoring BASCA Men's Homes & BASCA Women's Homes Boy Scouts of America Black Creek District Celebration Church Clay Behavioral Club Challenge (*Clay*) Orange Park Senior Center Quigley House Communita Cenacolo: Saint Vincent de Paul Farm, Mary Immaculate House (*St. Johns*) Foundation of Freedom (*Duval*) Hogar C.R.E.A. (*Duval*) New Dawn Outreach (*Duval*) Westside Club of AA (*Duval*)

### **MOBILE MEALS**

Celebration Church (*Clay*) Circle of Hope (*Clay/Duval*) Compassionate Warriors (*Clay/Duval*) Hippie Que (*Duval*) Interlachen Soup Kitchen (*Clay*) Love Cleans (*Duval*) Mt. Zion AME Church (*Duval*) Saved 2 Serve (*Duval*) Worth Pursuing (*Duval/Clay*)

### SPECIAL EVENTS/HOLIDAY MEALS

City Rescue Mission Clay Behavioral Cupbearers Ministry Feast of Plenty OP Community Thanksgiving Dinner Salvation Army - Empty Bowls Saved 2 Serve The Springs Church

### **HOLIDAY BASKETS**

Don't Miss a Beat Life Changing Ministries Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. *(Clay County Chapter)* Sisterly Act The Springs Church St. Giles' Presbyterian Church St Luke's Catholic Church Outreach St. Matthew's Catholic Church VFW Middleburg Way of the Truth

#### **HOLIDAY EVENTS**

JP Hall Annual Christmas Party



## Honor Roll of **Donors**

### January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this list, if a name has been omitted in error or spelled incorrectly, please contact our executive director. This list includes only those who made a tax-deductible contribution. Individuals making purchases are not included in this list.

**CIRCLE OF [HOPE]** is our annual giving campaign that allows friends and supporters to contribute financially to the fight to end hunger + poverty in our community. Join the campaign at a level that feels right for you. To learn more, please contact our Executive Director at 904-687-6327.

#### CHAIRMAN'S CIRCLE | \$25,000+

Clay County Board of Commissioners Edna Sproull Williams Foundation

#### **PRESIDENT'S CIRCLE** | \$10,000 - \$25,000

Anonymous Clay Electric Foundation Driver, McAfee, Hawthorne & Diebenow, PLLC

#### **CHAMPIONS** | \$5,000 - \$9,999

J.F. & Peggy Bryant Kyle & Jennifer Fresh^ Michael Killea & Sandra Staudt-Killea Sacred Heart Catholic Church Henry Scanlon

#### **WARRIORS** | \$1,000 - \$4,999

100+ Women Who Care Joshua & Tonya Barge^

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Richard & Anjte Staudt Towe Family Fund at the Community Foundation of Northeast Florida Michael & Kathryn Vallencourt Cass Wilhelm

#### FIGHTERS | \$25 - \$999

Gary & Jane Bachtell\* Kathleen Banks Nick & Kate Barnwell **Bi-Lo/Winn Dixie Foundation** Ann-Marie Boffardi John & Linda Boyd\* William "Bill" Bowen Calvary Methodist Church Tom & Elaine Canaan\* Nick & Susan Cascone The Children's Table David Coughlin lames & Eva Dion Byron & Susan Easley\* Carolyn Edwards Daphkare Francois Richard & Faye Ganson David & Darlene Garmus Al & Siggy Giroux \* John & Melba Gordon Tamela Grandberry Todd & Allison Hastie Jay & Darlene Heather\* **Rosemary Hitt** 



Rick Hood^ Skip & Judy Jackson\* Joelise Tillman-Josey Beth Kailes Russ & Kathy Kamradt\* Sam & Diane Kilgore\* Iane Kirschner Knights of Columbus Council 11220 Mandarin Presbyterian Church Marguerite Martin Tim & Janice Martin\* Edward May, Jr. & Genet Case May William & Ann McIntosh Donna McNamara\* Sherree Meyers Marsha Miller Stephanie Moresco Pam Moyer Frank & Robin Mosher Mandy Nelson Linda Odum Thresa Oliverio Orange Park Methodist Church Men's Group **Orange Park Presbyterian Church** Ed & Emily Pate Colleen Phelps\* Ianell Poe Steve & Anne Poole **Richard Port and Elaine Smith** Doug Ramsey/ I-9 Sports Warren & Jacqueline Rosander

Jeff Ruvolo\* Campaign of James B Renninger for Clay County Commission Sacred Heart Catholic Church Council of Catholic Women Melissa Shrader Geoffrey Simpson Aleida Suarez Thrivent Foundation Minette Torres\* Sandra Treffinger VyStar Foundation Al Watson Erik & Judy Wiisanen Gina Woods

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#### TRIBUTES

**In Honor of Peggie French** *given by* Sandra Staudt-Killea

In Honor of Rick Hood given by Robert & Dorothy Hood

In Honor of Sandra Staudt-Killea given by John & Linda Boyd Peggy Bryant James & Virginia Collins Richard & Faye Ganson Jane Kirschner Sally McDonald Torin & Linda McKenzie Mandy Nelson Thresa Oliverio Richard Port and Elaine Smith Kathleen N. Spears, PhD Richard & Anjte Staudt Cass Wilhelm

**In Honor of the Nieves Family** given by Aleida Suarez

In Honor of Mrs. Eugene Rogers given by Diane Clairmont

**In Honor of Kathleen N. Spears, PhD** given by Daphkare Francois Tamela Grandberry

In Honor of Volunteers from 2004 – 2024 and the 2024 Board of Directors given by Michael Killea & Sandra Staudt-Killea

### **MEMORIALS**

In Memory of Harold Andrew Bryant, Jr. given by Torin & Linda McKenzie

**In Memory of Christa Loesche Clark** *given by* Edward May, Jr. & Genet Case May

**In Memory of Connie Suggs** *given by* Kathleen Banks

**In Memory of Helen Thomas** given by Torin & Linda McKenzie

**In Memory of Eleanor Vincent** *given by* Susan Rainsley

\* Denotes donor is also a volunteer

^ Denotes donor is also a board member

OUR LARGEST FOOD DONORS IN POUNDS DONATED:

PEPPERIDGE FARM



#### **FOOD DONORS**

**4Rivers Smokehouse** (Baymeadows, Orange Park) **Baptist Clay/Morrison Health Bimbo Bakery Catering Creations** Chef's Garden Catering and Events Chick-Fil-A (Wells) Chick-Fil-A (San Jose) Crumbl Cookies Oakleaf **Daily Donuts** FIS Flowers Bakerv Gate Foundation Grass Roots KFC (Blanding, Oldfield Crossing) KSR Distributors Local Fare lax Longhorn (Argyle) Longhorn (Fleming Island) Nicholas Moore Vending, LLC My One Clay Natural Desires Soap Company Olive Garden (Argyle) Outback (Mandarin) Panera (Blanding, Orange Park, San Jose) Pepperidge Farms Publix Super Markets (15 locations) Red Lobster (Blanding) Starbucks (5 locations) The Granary Trader Joe's (Mandarin) Trailer Bridge USPS Network Distribution Center Wawa (6 locations)

## A Note from the **Treasurer**



At *Waste Not Want Not*, we realize hunger and food insecurity are different but equally challenging and we know that poverty impacts hunger in significant ways...which is why we fight hunger and poverty every day. We do that through our donors and supporters by way of their financial giving as well as the giving of their time. By achieving our mission, we provide tremendous value to our food distribution partners largely through the efforts and generosity of our volunteers and our grocery, farming, catering, and restaurant partners.

In 2024, *Waste Not Want Not* experienced financial progress in donor growth. As a result, we maintained a solid financial position which is essential to our continued success.

Fiscal year 2024 was a pivotal year for us as we hired a new Executive Director as well as an additional staff member. The financials reflect a period in which we had two executive directors on staff and therefore show a higher than usual compensation expense. Even still, we continue to remain a healthy organization with assets exceeding \$375K as we moved into the new year.

We look forward to finding more ways to bring additional value to our partners and to the community in 2025. We are encouraged for the future and look forward to what we can achieve together.

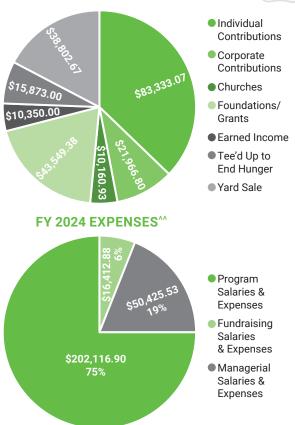
Respectfully,

Joe Markley

Joe Markley Treasurer

\* Does not include in-kind contributions or Food & Consumer Goods Contributions of \$2,645,137.26 ^^ These financials have not yet been reviewed by an independent certified public accountant

### FY 2024 INCOME\*^^



### Connecting the dots between surplus food and hungry people since 1990

