One Community, One Spirit

10 Years of Growing and Giving

2009

- √ First meeting held January 29
- ✓ First garden planted on land owned by Davenport Wood Yard, yielding 1,167 lbs. of produce for Family Connections Food Pantry
- ✓ Forge Mill / Faith Presbyterian Church partner garden produced over 800 lbs.; two other partner gardens also participated
- √ Education classes began
- √ \$1,000 donated to Food Pantry

2010

- √ Feed Fannin put Green Donation Boxes in stores to offer shoppers the opportunity to donate food to Food Pantry
- ✓ Six community gardens participated; 7,000 lbs. produce delivered to Food Pantry
- The organization provided the springboard and support for formation of Snack in a Backpack
- ✓ First Community Thanksgiving Dinner offered in partnership with Good Samaritans
- √ \$9,734 donated to Food Pantry

2011

- Tractor purchased with dedicated fundraising effort
- √ 10,200 lbs. of vegetables donated to Food Pantry from all gardens
- √ \$500/month donated to Food Pantry; extra funds provided throughout the year brought the total to \$9,577

√ "Cool Kids
Grow" youth
garden club
started at Blue
Ridge Elementary by Feed
Fannin member
and supported
by Feed Fannin



2012

- √ Feed Fannin incorporated as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization
- √ \$1,000/month donated to Food Pantry
- Began purchasing rice and beans to increase nutritional value of foods at Food Pantry
- ✓ Partnered with Master Gardeners to provide raised beds and garden mentoring to pantry clients
- √ 10,000 lbs. of vegetables provided to Food Pantry
- ✓ Volunteers began staffing Food Pantry two days a week with help from Faith Presbyterian Church

2013

- √ \$1,200/month donated to Food Pantry, in addition to \$4,000/year for rice and beans
- √ First Bowls of Hope fundraiser, raised \$10,000 to purchase food-only gift cards from Food Lion for distribution to Food Pantry clients for Thanksgiving and Christmas

- √ Began doing Photos with Santa
- ✓ In spite of disastrous flooding, nearly a ton of vegetables grown in final year at Davenport Garden
- ✓ Secured lease of Ada Street property from the Board of Education; started meeting at farmhouse in October

2014

- ✓ First garden at Ada Street Farm, along with Forge Mill and Cherry Log gardens, brought in 7,500 lbs. of produce to Food Pantry
- ✓ Raised beds built and offered to community for personal gardens
- √ \$1,200/month plus \$500/month for protein-rich-food effort and other donations given to the Food Pantry for a total of \$27,553.83
- ✓ Bowls of Hope again raised \$10,000 towards the purchase of Food Lion gift cards for Food Pantry clients
- √ "Cool Kids Grow" youth garden club certified as Junior Master Gardeners with Feed Fannin's continued support

2015

- √ \$37,309 donated to Food Pantry as Feed Fannin begins purchasing food directly from Chattanooga Food Bank
- ✓ Bought 200 dozen eggs every two weeks to add protein to Food Pantry offerings
- ✓ Continued supporting "Cool Kids Grow" youth garden club
- ✓ Blue Ridge Elementary and East and West Fannin Elementary Schools integrated gardening into school studies, and Feed Fannin helped with funding
- ✓ Ada Street garden, along with Forge Mill, Cherry Log and Suches Community gardens brought in 5,723 lbs of produce

2016

- ✓ Provided \$47,027 in cash and purchased food to the Food Pantry, now including milk as well as eggs in protein-rich program
- ✓ Grew more than 9,000 lbs. of vegetables for the Food Pantry
- Green Donation Boxes continued to bring in significant food donations from the community

2017

- ✓ Provided nearly 100% of food (\$57,000 worth) distributed by Food Pantry
- ✓ Bowls of Hope raised \$25,000; the yearly increase in support continued to enable increased support of Food Pantry
- Ada Street Garden and community partners' gardens yielded nearly 6,000 lbs of produce

√ Financial support and volunteer assistance continued for "Cool Kids Grow" and school gardens

2018

- ✓ Feed Fannin/Barbara Ferer Community Research and Demonstration Garden was established next to Food Pantry
- ✓ Bowls of Hope brought in more than \$29,000
- √ Feed Fannin contributed \$71,865 for food for the Food Pantry and contributed half the funds needed to purchase a van so that Family Connections could pick up and deliver food for Food Pantry
- √ 7,412 lbs. of produce grown and donated to Food Pantry

Ongoing projects of Feed Fannin

- ✓ Educational classes in spring and fall focus on subjects as diverse as raising chickens, native medicinal herbs, starting seeds, bee keeping, canning and making scarecrows
- ✓ Green Donation Boxes in the grocery stores and other locations continue to bring in many thousands of pounds of food from shoppers who are urged to "Buy 2, Give 1"
- ✓ Each year, Feed Fannin participates in Arts in the Park, the Old Timer's Parade and Photos with Santa

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of Growing & Giving to Feed the Hungry



