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Deep Launching's stocked emergency pantry

2023 – A Year of Expansion

As Deep Launching faced the possibility of expansion, we also faced challenges. The challenges centered around a dedicated location to operate our Compassionate Response: Hunger Relief Program (HRP). HRP focuses on providing Latino and African-American children in families with 1 week of nutritious emergency groceries. Since HRP was awarded funding by No Kid Hungry, it was a race against time to find a dedicated location.



Barnhart Elementary School

Through a recommendation, Rev. Masada Roberson, President of Deep Launching, met with the Principal and Vice Principal of Barnhart Elementary School in an effort to partner with opening a food pantry. Barnhart is a Title I school in Waldorf, MD. Their population is approximately 572 students with 60% enrolled in reduced lunch. This simply means over 60% of Barnhart's families are categorized as low-income.

Our First Community Food Pantry

During the summer of 2023, Barnhart Elementary donated Deep Launching an entire climate-controlled outdoor trailer (formerly a classroom for students), 2 new refrigerators and 6-foot shelves to assist Deep Launching with operating its first Community Food Pantry for children in families.

We are elated to serve the Barnhart Elementary families every week!

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Delivery of 30,000 pounds of food

Greater is Coming!!!

In April of 2023, Deep Launching applied for a grant for non-perishable foods from Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints. On October 30th, HRP was granted 30,000 pounds of non-perishable foods. A semi-truck delivered green beans, corn, rice, waffle/pancake mix, shelf ready milk, white flour, pears, cocoa, pasta, soup, peanut butter, pinto beans and dishwasher soap!

This amount of food will enable Deep Launching to expand its Community Pantry Services to other areas in need.

Compassionate Response: Distribution Center

Our distribution center continues to receive bi-monthly shipments of new, never used goods, valued at \$4k-\$6k, to host Community Resource Day (CRD) events. On October 27th, we hosted a mini CRD for Barnhart Elementary School. Our year-end CRD is on Saturday, December 9th at Nanjemoy Community Center.

Our mission is to provide immediate and sustainable relief to homeless and low-income children, families, men, women and veterans.



Giving Tuesday November 28

We are in need of your support of our first Community Food Pantry. We are seeking to provide the families we serve with fresh poultry, meats and vegetables. Your tax-deductible donation of \$25 or more (or any amount) will assist with meeting the goal of providing nutritious meals to homeless and low income families. Visit www.deeplaunching.org to give.

Give \$25 or more

Support Deep Launching's Community Food Pantry.
Help us provide nutritious groceries for needy families today!

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