



# PCM FOOD PANTRY NEWSLETTER

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Ladies from the Monroe Methodist Church made dry laundry detergent using Borax, Washing Soda and Fels-Naptha soap. This stuff works and goes quickly from the pantry shelves!



A young girl and her friends donated \$75.00 from proceeds of their lemonade stand.



Two young girls traded homemade loom "friendship" bracelets for food pantry items. In 90 minutes, they collected 56 items in their red wagon. What a creative way to gather food.

Neighbor helping neighbor is what the Food Pantry is all about. We walk journeys with those folks who come into the Pantry. We rejoice with them when they get a new job and listen to them when life is handing them a heavy burden. Thanks for everything you do to lighten your neighbor's burdens.

- ✓ Thanks to the Monroe Community Club and the Granny Basketball team for their recent gift of \$500 each.
- ✓ \$200 was received from two Plexis consultants, \$1 donated for each pound their clients lost.
- ✓ Our neighbors are dining on God's goodness as the abundant bounty from gardens fill the tables around the fellowship hall.



The number of people using the Food Pantry has remained high and the availability of meat at the Food Bank of Iowa is smaller and limited. We are purchasing meat from other sources than the Food Bank of Iowa and when we make purchases from other vendors than the Food Bank our costs go up. We expect that we will be supplementing what we are able to purchase from the Food Bank for a while.

The donations of gifts of money have helped us meet this challenge. In fact, we have had designated donations for meat. With your continued support of the Pantry with your contributions and most importantly your prayers, the Food Pantry can continue to serve its neighbors! Thank you!

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