**Food for Thought**

Alleviating hunger by creating access to food

**O R E G O N A T I S S T E A M**

Thank you to your efforts, Congress introduced the Food Empowerment Project (TEAP). TEAP is a federal program that empowers local communities to determine the food distribution that drives hunger. Increased funding for TEAP helps food banks distribute nutritious foods at no cost to community members. The permanent funding for TEAP is critical, as food banks work to permanently end hunger.

Thank you, Lane County for all your support in this important area.

**REMEMBERING CHONG MI**

Long-time financial donor Joel Zauner made his 2015 gift to Food for Lane County. Since 2009, Zauner has made donations totaling nearly $50,000 to Food for Lane County.

“Joel Zauner has always had a mission of growing food for the hungry in Lane County,” said Rich Heil, Executive Director of GrassRoots Garden. “This was his way of saying ‘I want to help people who have had experiences with physical challenges or who love growing and gardening and helping others.” Zauner was a long-time supporter of Lane County’s annual spring plant sale at the GrassRoots Garden.

**YOU SERIOUSLY DON’T KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH ALL THAT FOOD?**

For a lot of seniors the person who delivers the meal is a ‘friend’ from ‘beyond the walls’,” said Senator Jeff Merkley. “We must support the Meals on Wheels and must expand it to become a model to end hunger in our state,” he said.

“The people we deliver to are very special,” said Senator Merkley. “They are the faces and voices of hunger. I am committed to bringing more funding to our Meals on Wheels program so we can ensure that no one goes hungry.”

To learn more about our work and how to get involved in the mission, please visit foodforlanecounty.org.

**Thank you to our local businesses who donated $50,000 or more in support of Food for Lane County’s local hunger relief efforts during our 2014-2015 fiscal year.**

- Commercial Fueling
- Truist Actuarial Services
- Symantec Corporation
- Reynolds Electric Inc.
- Siuslaw Financial Group
- Slocum Center for Orthopedics & Sports Medicine
- Structural integrity Associates
- Structural Steel & Architectural Services Distributor Corporation
- Tribune Communications
- Trendz
- FIJI
- Tugboat Truck Brokers
- US Bank
- PacificSource Health Plans
- QSL Print Communications
- SO Delicious Dairy Free
- Target
- Newmont Mining
- Murphy Company
- NeuroSpine Institute
- Only The Best Truck Broker

**Your donations strengthen a countywide network of social service agencies and food banks across Lane County.**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **February 14**
  - Dutch Luv at all Dutch Bros locations
  - Lane County Home and Garden Show
  - Head Start Food Drive

- **March 10–13**
  - Spring Plant Sale at The GrassRoots Garden
  - Early Bird Sale at The Dining Room
  - National Association of Letter Carriers Food Drive

- **May 16**
  - Summer Plant Sale at The Youth Farm

**V I S I O N**

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SQUASH BISQUE WITH GINGER

**Yield:** 10 servings

1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 cup heavy cream
8 cups vegetable stock
2 cups diced onion
1/2 cup diced celery
1/2 cup dried white beans
2 cups diced butternut squash
2 cups diced acorn squash
A small handful garlic clove
2 large handfuls ginger
2 teaspoon fresh thyme

**Setup:**
- In a large stockpot, bring stock to a boil over medium-high heat. Add onion, celery, and squash. Reduce heat to low and simmer until squash is tender, about 30 minutes.
- Add beans, garlic, ginger, and thyme; cook, stirring, for 1 minute.
- Add broth and water; bring to a simmer. Reduce heat to low, cover and simmer until squash is tender, 35 minutes.
- Add broth and water; bring to a simmer. Reduce heat to low, cover and simmer until squash is tender, 35 minutes.
- Return soup to a blender. (If using a blender, follow manufacturer’s directions for puréeing hot liquids.)

**Serve:**
- At room temperature, if preferred. Serve in bowls or mugs. Garnish with a drizzle of olive oil and a sprinkle of basil. For a spicy option, add 1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper to the soup.

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**Letter to Readers**

Our core mission is focused on providing emergency food. We know that serving a daily meal or distributing a weekly supply of food is not a short-term solution to a long-term problem. That’s why we also look for in-depth solutions to this problem by giving people the tools they need to transform their lives.

We offer educational programs that touch people where they live, how to grow their own food, how to shop on a limited budget, and how to make healthy food choices. We are also committed to advocacy work to ensure that our elected officials understand hunger is our civic, county, and state problem.

Like many of the people we serve, Genevieve wanted to make a better life for herself and her son.

Beverlee Potter
Executive Director

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**Ways to Donate**

Thank you for your recent donation in the amount of $100.00. You receive a tax-deductible receipt for your gift. As a charitable organization, we are registered with the Oregon Department of Revenue and are a 501(c)(3) organization. Your donation will be used to serve those who seek help with food insecure situations.

1. **Donate Online**
   - Go to foodforlanecounty.org and click on the Donate button.
   - Click on the “I’d like to make enough money to support my family. I’m thankful for the resources were when I needed them, but I really want to be able to support ourselves and be self-sufficient.”

   With your continued support, we can help people like Genevieve by giving them hope and help when they need it most.

   We believe that hunger is a solvable problem. Thank you for being part of the solution.

   Beverlee Potter
   Executive Director