Bowdoinham Food Pantry Bowdoinham News, JAN/FEB 2019 Lily Montgomery

The winter months are always busy at the pantry, and this season has proved no exception. Thanks to generous donations from all of you, we were able to give out dozens of holiday meals at both Thanksgiving and Christmas. Additionally, we continue to share food each week at the pantry during normal distribution and via the backpack program at the Bowdoinham Community School, *Margi's Market* at Bowdoinham Estates and at the *Little Free Pantry* at Greenleaf Apartments. This little pantry is a tiny, freestanding structure that is accessible at any time to local residents, and can be stocked by anyone (dry goods only during winter months, please!) *If you'd like more information about this project, please reach out!*

We would like to say an enormous THANK YOU and farewell to Joanne Savoie, who has worked with the pantry for many years and has retired at the end of 2018. Joanne has kept us all organized as she facilitated volunteer scheduling and has sent hundreds of thank you notes on behalf of the pantry. We are all so, so grateful for your years of service and will miss you, Joanne!

We are consistently in awe of the generosity of this town- in recent months we have had amazing financial and food donations come in from the local Girl Scouts, the Masons, the Credit Union League, the Bowdoinham Community School, and many, many individuals. Thank you for continuing to support this pantry and our mission, we couldn't do it without you!

Are you interested in donating to the pantry, or volunteering with us? Please get in touch so we can put you on our mailing list and keep you informed, and follow us on Facebook for up-to-date information.

Top requested items for donating:

Peanut butter/jelly
Pasta/sauce
Canned tuna + chicken
Granola bars
Non-sugary cereal
Meat (small portions)
Eggs

The pantry is open each Wednesday from 4-6pm and the first and third Saturday of each month from 9-10 am. All Bowdoin and Bowdoinham residents are welcome with no income verification required.

Questions? bowdoinhamfoodpantry@gmail.com, call 751-779, or find us on facebook!