



HWC FOOD PANTRY

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The Houghton Food Pantry, located on the basement level of the Houghton Wesleyan Church, is one of the few emergency food pantries in the county. We help members of the congregation any time there is a need and people from Northern Allegany County once every six months. The pantry is housed in an attractive, well-organized room and food is available any time it is needed by calling the church office (567-2264). Members of the congregation donate non-perishable food items to stock the shelves by bringing items to the church office. The pantry has assisted more than 230 people this year. Pray that this ministry of compassion may prepare hearts for spiritual food.

PURPOSE: To feed the needy on an emergency basis

POLICY:

Once a year we will serve any person or family that asks regardless of residence.

We will serve needy persons or families from the town of Caneadea, Hume, Centerville, Granger, Allen, Birdsall, Genesee Falls, and Pike once every six months.

Our church family will be served anytime there is a need.

Special circumstances will be decided by the pastors and the manager of the food pantry.

Financial counseling will be offered when a pastor and the Food Pantry manager deem a pattern of continued use is being shown.

The manager of the Food Pantry has the freedom to seek donations (food or money) as necessary.

Periodic information to the congregation is essential.