FOOD SECURITY

PRIOR TO COVID 19

- > MEALS ON WHEELS MANAGED OUT OF THE FOYER
- > PROVIDED 20/22 MEALS
- > A WAITING LIST OF 10
- > PROGRAM FUNDED BY MUNICIPALITY AND PROVINCE
- > NO REGULAR DELIVERY OF FOOD TO LESS FORTUNATE
- > NO FOOD BANK

COVID 19

- > COVID RISKS —LED TO CANCELLATION OF FOYER MEALS ON WHEELS
- > INCREASED COMMUNITY RISKS TO SENIORS
- > RECOMMENDATION TO SELF ISOLATE
- > INCREASED DEMAND FOR COMMUNITY TO HELP WITH FOOD SECURITY.

NEW MEALS ON WHEELS

- > EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE LED TO COMMUNITY LED INITIATIVE
- > KINSMEN, LEGION, COMMUNITY MATTERS AND CENTRE DE MI CAREME LED ACTIVITY
- > RE INSTITUTED MEALS ON WHEELS AT CAFE
- > KITCHEN ORGANIZED
- > GRANTS ENABLED PURCHASE OF NEW EQUIPMENT, FOOD SUPPLIES AND COVER OPERATING EXPENSES
- > FEEDING 38 TO 45 THREE TIMES A WEEK
- > Menu based on Foyer Kitchen
- > Recipients mostly Foyer Meals on Wheels clients and or recommended by medical staff
- > MEALS DELIVERED BY VOLUNTEERS AND L'ACABIE
- > IN ADDITION TO MEAL DELIVERY, PROGRAM MAKES A MAJOR CONTRIBUTION TO MENTAL AND PHYSICAL HEALTH OF SENIORS THROUGH REGULAR VISITS
- > PROGRAM A GREAT SUCCESS

FUNDING

- > BUDGET INDICATES NEED FOR \$55,600 FOR 6 MONTHS (\$40K OPS and \$15.6K FOOD)
- > \$5 FEE PER RECIPIENT PER MEAL COVERS \$15,600 FOOD COSTS
- > OPERATING COSTS ARE MAIN EXPENSES.
- > ""PRESENT PROGRAM FUNDING IS SUFFICIENT FOR NEXT 12 MONTHS""

HUMAN RESOURCES

- > COOKS ARE PAID EMPLOYEES
- > L'ACABIE PAID THROUGH UNITED WAY GRANT
- > 20 VOLUNTEERS FROM COMMUNITY
- > DAY TO DAY AND HEAVIEST WORKLOAD —PROGRAM MANAGER

ADDITIONAL FOOD SECURITY NEED FOOD DELIVERY TO LESS FORTUNATE

- > FOOD RESCUE/SECOND HARVEST FOOD DONATIONS, GOV'T GRANTS AND COMMUNITY DONATIONS ENABLED REGULAR FOOD DELIVERY TO NEEDY
- > 1...PAPA NOEL RAISED \$20,000 ,, CO-OP Gift Cards to 57 Families in December
- > 2..SIX DELIVERIES IN LAST 6 MONTHS
- > WEEKEND OF MARCH 28TH AND 4 OTHER WEEKENDS. Food Delivery to Less Fortunate
- > 138 bags delivered to 48 families.....110 community members helped
- > COMMUNITY NEED IS AT LEAST 75 FAMILIES
- > CHALLENGE WITH SELF IDENTIFICATION SO MISSING NEEDY FAMILIES

ADDITIONAL FOOD SECURITY NEEDS "FOOD BANK"

- > A WELL STOCKED AND MANAGED FOOD BANK WOULD HELP WITH COMMUNITY FOOD SECURITY
- > CHALLENGED WITH FINDING APPROPRIATE LOCATION AND BUILDING
- > EXISTING SMALL FOOD BANK AT CHETICAMP CHURCH INSUFFICIENT TO MEET THE NEED
- > POTENTIAL PROVINCIAL SUPPORT FOR SUCH A PROGRAM

CHALLENGES

- > 1.MANAGEMENT: FOOD SECURITY IS CRITICAL ELEMENT TO HEALTH AND WELL BEING OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS
- > PROGRAM LOCALLY AND COUNTY WIDE NEEDS MUNICIPAL VISIBILITY AND MANAGEMENT
- > PRESENT MANAGEMENT IS MORE THAT WHAT IS REQUIRED OF VOLUNTEER MEMBER
- > 2. INFRASTRUCTURE
- > CO-LOCATION WITH CENTRE DE MI CAREME IS WELCOME AND APPRECIATED
- > CO-LOCATION CONTRIBUTES TO MULTI USE OF COMMUNITY ASSETS
- > CO-LOCATION DICTATES NEED FOR ADDITIONAL STORAGE FOR MEALS ON WHEELS ACQUIRED ASSETS

ASKS

- > FOOD SECURITY NEEDS TO BE RECOGNIZED AS A COUNTY WIDE CHALLENGE
- > A MANAGER NEEDS TO BE IDENTIFIED AND HIRED TO ADDRESS COUNTY WIDE PROGRAM
- Meals on Wheels
- School Breakfast program
- Food Bank/Feed the less fortunate
- > COUNTY SUPPORT IS NEEDED FOR ADDITIONAL CAFE NEEDS DRIVEN BY MEALS ON WHEELS SUCH AS STORAGE SPACE

QUESTIONS