



Pine Island Food Pantry

Located at Our Lady of Miraculous Medal Church
12175 Stringfellow Rd., Bokeelia, FL 33922
Call 239-283-3824 For Help

December 30, 2009

FROM THE HEART OF PINE ISLAND TO THE HEART OF THE HUNGRY

Cape Royal Community Foundation, Inc.
11808 Lady Anne Circle
Cape Coral, Florida 33991-7503

Dear Members of the Cape Royal Community Foundation,

What a wonderful Christmas present, the arrival of your check #391, in the amount of \$1,500.00 made for the volunteers of the Pine Island Food Pantry and for the families of the islands who will benefit from your generosity. Jacquie Flenniken called to let me know you would like to make a visit to the Pantry and we would be so happy to welcome you, have you see the facilities and meet some of our workers. An advance notice would be greatly appreciated.

Your donation comes at one of the busiest seasons at the Food Pantry and is greatly appreciated, as our needs continue to increase each month. At this time of year when our thoughts turn to the many things we are thankful for in our lives, we add you to our list of family. Family is there to support one another through good times and bad and you are there for us and the Food Pantry clients.

I received the latest figures for the past month at the Pantry and as seems to be the norm, the numbers are still on the rise with a total of 95 families for the month of November and December is going to break even that record. The economy continues to be difficult for many people. Our motto, "BECAUSE NO ONE SHOULD GO HUNGRY", has been stretched to the limit this summer. We have increased the number of times families can come for help, as their needs are so demanding. We had to make the decision, that we would not turn anyone away. Though there are times, we've had to cut back on the amount given to a family, we continue to service everyone who comes for help.

It truly makes us aware of how blessed we are to be able to help and make a difference in people's lives. This is what we hope to convey to our donors, just how important **YOU** are, to so many people. Without **YOU**, the Pantry could never function, as it does.

May the true spirit of Christmas fill your hearts with love and joy, A very Merry Christmas to you and your loved ones and God's blessings on the New Year.

God bless you and thank for caring and sharing with others.

Sincerely,

Barbara La Plante
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