

Perinton Food Shelf

The Perinton Food Shelf has existed since the early 1980's - incorporated in 1984. Two of the earliest members of the organization were members of first congregational church – Joe and Martha Bowman.

Everyone associated with Perinton Food Shelf is a volunteer. There are over 100 volunteers. Many are from our church. These people stock, store and distribute the food. The deliverers take a week's worth of food to the client. These delivered meals add up to 25,000 to 30,000 meals a year. Yummy boxes are delivered to children of the clients using the service, during the summer months, providing nutritional snacks.

Support for the food Shelf comes from area churches, school organizations, community minded individuals and local businesses. Wegmans provides day old bread while the Red Bird market gives surplus fruits and vegetables. The Boy Scout Food Drive and the Postal Service Drive add to the coffers as does 25% of the annual Crop Walk.

Nothing is wasted, when the food shelf has any surplus it is passed on to others – usually the soup kitchens in the city. The Perinton food shelf recently joined Food Link to reduce the cost of purchased food.

The motto of the Perinton Food Shelf comes from Matthew 25 verse 35 “For I was hungry and you fed me”.

For more information visit
www.perinton food shelf