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The Community Table's mission is to provide nutritious meals to our neighbors in need in a welcoming environment. It is our vision that no one in Jackson County goes to bed hungry.

In December of 2017, long time Executive Director, Amy Sims, moved on to MANNA Food Bank as Western Rational Coordinator. In 2018 we welcomed new Executive Director, Paige Christie, and new Board Member, Sharon Montague, and said farewell Christina Smith, long time board member, who retired. Gary Wood remains as Kitchen Manager and Volunteer Coordinator.

We hope you'll find this report informative, and your feedback is welcome. Thank you for feeding our neighbors in need,

Board of Directors
Community Table

The Community Table, Inc. 2018 Board of Directors

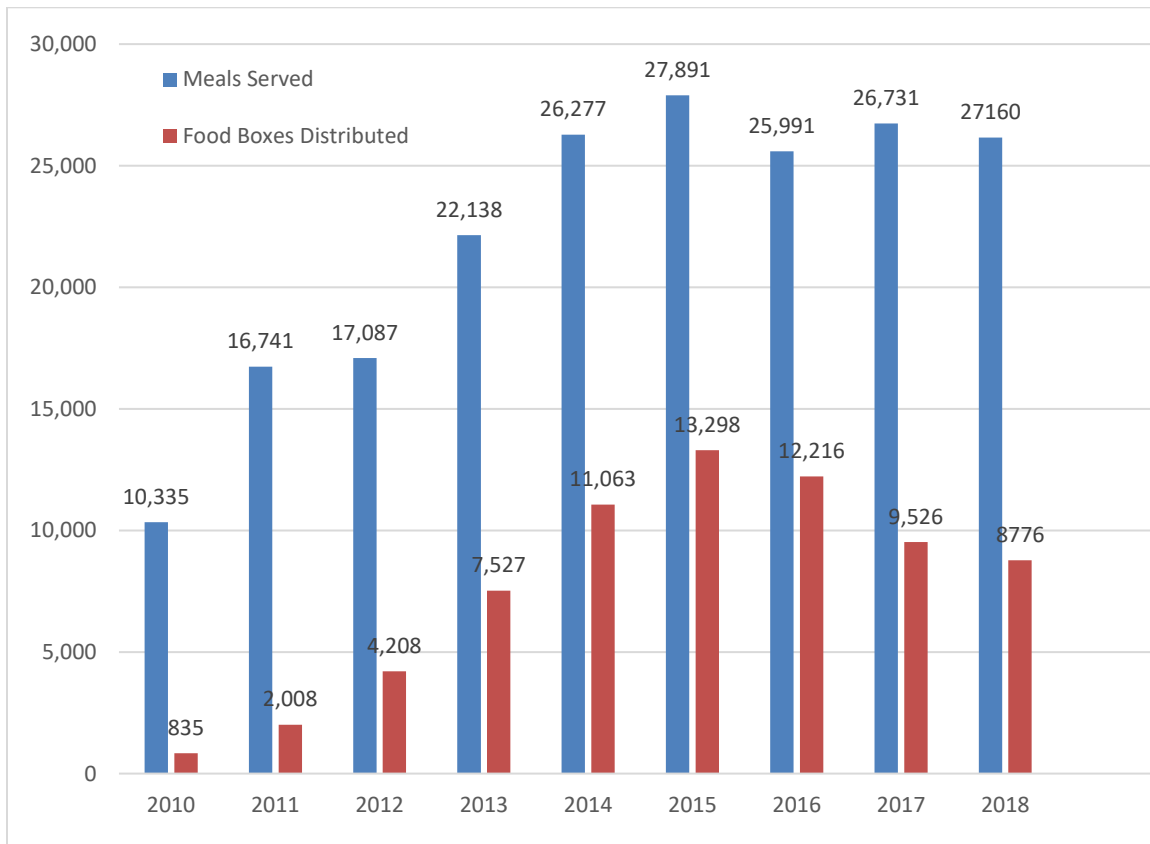
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2018 Accomplishments

- 27,160 meals served
- 8,776 boxes of groceries distributed
- Over 4,599 individuals served
- 13,468 volunteer hours
- Distributed over 285,305 pounds of food

2018 Quick Facts

- 37% of those served each month were children
- \$157,670.53 Total Income (Thanks to an unexpected bequest, most of which moved into our savings account.)
- \$138,560.82 Total Expenses
- Average cost per meal \$0.48 (food cost only)*
- Average cost per box of groceries \$2.48 (food cost only)*
- Average cost per meal including all overhead expenses \$3.74*
- Average cost per box of groceries including all overhead expenses \$10.44*
- We received 240,305 pounds of food through MANNA Food Bank at a cost of \$21,473.98. The wholesale value of this food based on \$1.92 per pound was \$461,385.60.
- We also source food from restaurant suppliers, store-level donations by Walmart and Food Lion, grocery store purchases as-needed, the NC Department of Agriculture, Jackson County Schools, and food drives.

2018 Fundraising

- Blue Plate Special Lunch Fundraisers - \$20,518.00 was raised with 10 events held on the last Wednesday of months February-October. The events were sponsored by Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort (4 times!), Haywood Smokehouse, Speedy's Pizza, Zaxby's, El Patron, and Bogart's. Special thanks to BPS Coordinator Mary Ellen Garcia.
- Empty Bowl - \$10,199.71 was raised.
- Fundraising Letters - Sent twice per year, these appeals raised \$15,845.40.
- Other fundraisers in the community on our behalf raised \$5,645.75!
- \$63,953.53 was given through donations. Thank you!

*The value of each meal and each box of groceries far exceeds our total cost, which reflects great efficiency in our operations, and more bang for your donor bucks!

Grants Received 2018 - \$39,549.00

- Food Lion Charitable Foundation - \$2,800
- Sylva Rotary Club - \$500
- Church of the Good Shepherd- \$5,500
- Wells Fargo - \$200
- Emergency Food & Shelter Program - \$1849
- Great Smokies Health Foundation - \$5,000
- Triskeles Foundation - \$1000
- Jackson County Community Foundation - \$1,000
- Balsam Mountain Preserve Fund - \$2000
- Jackson County - \$20,000
- Michael Guttman Fund - \$700

2018 Volunteers-of-the-Month

- January – Fred & Sally Fisher
- February – Nancy Lea
- March – Jan Miller
- April – Lilly Yoon
- May – Melissa Jackson
- June – Jonathan Bradshaw
- July – Denny Higdon
- August – Renada Davis
- September – Jeff Jones
- October – Tarzan Hood
- November – Cathy Dutour
- December – Susie Jones

Donors

You may notice that we do not publish our donor list. We strive to thank each donor individually, and we respect the privacy of those who decline to be publicly recognized. Please know how much we appreciate you! You make all that we do possible.

Due to length, there is additional information not included here that can be found on our website at www.communitytable.org. By clicking on the Guidestar Gold Status icon on the home page you can link to our 990 tax returns, annual review, and more. Also on our website, you'll find our most current client survey demographic data in greater detail. Please contact Executive Director Amy Sims with any questions, concerns, or feedback. Thank you for feeding our neighbors in need.