



Stewpot August 2021 Newsletter





STEWPOINT UPDATE AUGUST 2021

As we near the year and a half point in Stewpot Pandemic mode, we have so much for which to be thankful. Until last week, we were able to keep COVID at bay. Our volunteers have been wonderfully cautious staying home if they had been exposed.

The Delta variant has stumped even the best laid plans for so many, including those vaccinated. It got a little too close for comfort and we were forced to close for a week just to be on the safe side.

Charlie Frith, Vice Chairman of the Stewpot Board and editor of the Stewpot Newsletter, contracted Covid in mid July. He was fully vaccinated and had a mild case - mostly tired, no appetite and a cough. He has no idea where he contracted the virus. He was on vacation with twelve family members all of whom tested negative.

August has been an interesting month for everyone. The intense heat has persevered. Our volunteers experienced nearly a week of no air conditioning while a part was ordered. Volunteers went above and beyond to make sure our diners got lunch on those sizzling days.

Despite vacations, illness and family commitments, our volunteers have continued to show up. We are so incredibly grateful to them. We know things are different, but we have tried in every way to make this work to fulfill our Stewpot mission of **Feeding All Who Enter**.

Our numbers have remained steady holding at 30% more than pre-pandemic. We continue to serve right at 3,000 lunches each month. Our diners have been treated to hotdogs, watermelon, ice cream and popsicles this summer. Ed has made sure the diners have had plenty of water and drinks each day. We have been able to serve hot entrees 2-3 times

weekly.

Finally thank you for continuing your financial support. Many folks have even begun making monthly contributions.

Everyone who goes to the grocery store realizes food costs have steadily gone up. Stewpot is not exempt to the rising costs.

The Stewpot will be closed through Monday, September 6, and will reopen for business on Tuesday, September 7.

The Stewpot has reimplemented their mask policy for all Stewpot volunteer workers until further notice.

Clothes Closet†

*"I needed clothes and
you clothed me."*

Matthew 25:38

Clothes Closet Update

The Clothes Closet had the wonderful opportunity to meet a sweet 4 year old girl named Lucy. Lucy had become concerned about the homeless and wanted to do something to help them. She talked with her mom, Linsey, and together they produced a video on Facebook. Lucy told the viewers on Facebook about the homeless needs and asked for donations. Lucy and Linsey gathered a van load of items and

delivered them to the Clothes Closet. Some of the items they brought were lots of bars of soap, deodorant, wash cloths, and many bags of clothing. We are so thrilled to receive all the items, and even more happy to meet Lucy and Linsey. How wonderful to have such great folks helping out the homeless! Thank you so very much Lucy and Linsey!!!

See Photo below.



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