

Case Study: Capital Compassion

Rancho Cordova, Sacramento, Unincorporated



10151 Croydon Way #3

Sacramento, CA 95827

Serves 300+ families monthly

Distribution is open every
Monday-Thursday 9am-3pm

Program Highlights

Capital Compassion used the microgrant to establish and expand our People's Choice Food Pantry model, which enables food-insecure individuals to select the items they need in a dignified, market-style environment. The project focused on enhancing food recovery and storage capacity through the purchase of commercial refrigeration units, freezers, pallet jacks, and digital thermometers. These tools allowed us to begin accepting and distributing perishable items. We also began formalizing food recovery relationships with Tier 2 generators such as Dignity Health through Replate. This project helped bridge the gap between recovery and redistribution, ensuring recovered food reached those in need safely and efficiently.



Photo of Capital Compassion's facilities.

Overview

Capital Compassion's mission is dedicated to eradicating food insecurity, supporting homeless initiatives, assisting refugees, and providing job training for adults with special needs, all with the aim of restoring dignity to every individual. Serving the communities within the city of Rancho Cordova and the unincorporated area of Sacramento County, we focus on connecting existing resources to address the complex needs of those facing temporary homelessness and food insecurity.

Challenges & Solutions

Challenge: Proper equipment training for all staff members and volunteers.

Solution: Capitol Compassion is ensuring that staff is well versed with all equipment to provide a seamless and safe process when integrating new volunteers and employees.

Challenge: Efficiency in tracking and reporting procedures.

Solution: Capital Compassion has indicated that they plan to move to using tracking software in the future to help improve their operations.

Needs & Recommendations

Capital Compassion would like to increase their impact with the community and has recognized that they have the capacity to recover and distribute even more food than they currently work with. To accomplish this Capital Compassion has expressed a desire to widen their recovery network to include more Tier 2 edible food generators.



Photo of a Capital Compassion distribution.

Data Tracking and Metrics

DATA TRACKING DELIVERABLES:		
	POUNDS RECOVERED	DONORS ADDED
MONTH 1	1,126 lbs.	Dignity
MONTH 2	1,193 lbs.	Dignity
MONTH 3	1,509 lbs.	Dignity
MONTH 4	1,622 lbs.	Methodist Hospital
MONTH 5	1,606 lbs.	n/a
MONTH 6	1,722 lbs.	n/a
Total	8,778 lbs.	