



Eau Claire County
**HIDDEN
HUNGER**

Spring 2016

Attend the..

Food as Medicine Gathering

Thursday, March 10, 5:00 - 7:30 PM

Prairie Ridge Early Learning Center

3031 Epiphany Lane, Eau Claire (enter by Door #2)

Featured Speakers: Dr. Beth Neary, Madison pediatrician, and Anne Gargano Ahmed, Director of the Madison Hunger Care Coalition

Come and hear firsthand the stories of those who are ...

- Already engaged in food insecurity screening
- Increasing access to FoodShare and other food resources
- Developing food insecurity screening training materials
- Working to overcome their own food insecurity



Light refreshments will be served

Prairie Ridge Food Pantry Open House - 5:00 to 5:25 PM

RSVP by noon March 3 to Paul Savides at psavides@wwt.net or 715-450-3695

How Can You Help?

Help people struggling with hunger in our community.



MARCH 3 • 11AM - 7PM
FLORIAN GARDENS

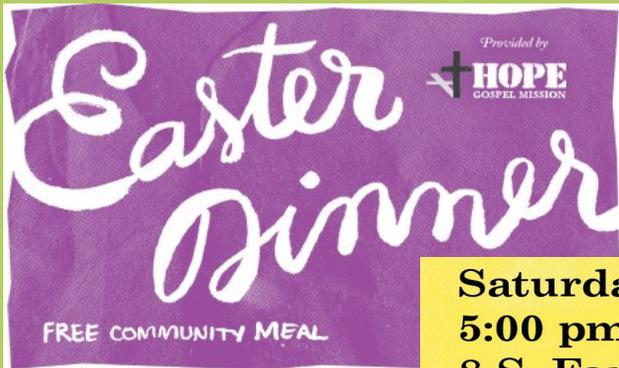
EMPTY BOWLS



Florian Gardens, 2340 Lorch Avenue, Eau Claire

To purchase tickets on line [Click Here](#)

Enjoy soup, specialty breads, and desserts with hand-crafted bowls donated by area art students and professional potters at our food bank's largest fundraising event.



To help with the meal,
call 715-552-5566

Saturday, March 26
5:00 pm to 7:00 pm
8 S. Farwell St, Eau Claire

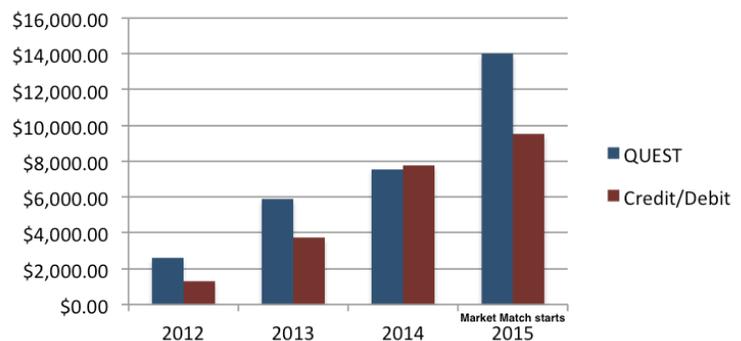
Recent Food Security Efforts



2015 Market Match at the Eau Claire Downtown Farmers Market is a huge success!

288 unduplicated FoodShare patrons spent over \$8,000 at the market with their WI Quest card and received nearly \$6,000 in direct match to provide more fresh produce for their families.

Tokens Sold Per Year
(2015 data includes Market Match dollars)



Thanks to the City of Eau Claire, Group Health Cooperative, JAMF Software and United Healthcare for their generous 2016 donations.

HUNGER NEWS

Promoting Food Security for All Children

COUNCIL ON COMMUNITY PEDIATRICS, COMMITTEE ON NUTRITION

Households with children are nearly twice as likely to be food insecure as households without children. In 2013, 7.5 million American families with children lacked consistent access to adequate, nutritious food (November, 2015). Children with poor and inadequate nutrition increase the likelihood for health problems such as: developmental problems, more hospitalizations, more likely to be iron deficient, and can be associated with lower bone density in preadolescent boys. Pediatricians can play a central role in screening and identifying children at risk for food insecurity and in connecting families with needed community resources. The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that pediatricians engage in efforts to mitigate food insecurity at the practice level and beyond (November, 2015). [Click Here for Full Article.](#)



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