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The Hunger Coalition has a new look.

[View our new website!](#)

With new colors, completely revised text, and eye-catching imagery, the site is user-friendly, informative and easy to navigate.

Donate!

Don't have time to volunteer?

Your tax-deductible donation will go a long way toward fighting hunger in our community.

[Click here](#) to donate online or send checks to:

The Hunger Coalition
121 Honeysuckle Street
Bellevue, ID 83313

For information on making a gift of appreciated securities, please contact [Jeanne Liston](#) at 788.0121.

2009 Annual Report!



[Click here](#) to download a copy of our 2009 Annual Report.

This Month's Conversation:

What do You Think About Hunger in Blaine County?

[Check out The Hunger Blog!](#)

Share your views, read about people, problems and the solutions we are working towards.

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Dear Friend of the Hungry,
The colors are turning quickly and the temperatures are dropping. Soon the snow will fly and some of us will rejoice with excitement for the approaching holidays and ski season. Others of us will be more uncertain and filled with concern - how will we heat the house, do our children have warm enough coats, will there be enough to eat, how can we possibly afford Christmas presents?

The season of giving isn't just about presents - it's about giving of yourself, your heart and your friendship. Offer a local family some hope and well being this Holiday Season. This is a gift that keeps on giving in so many ways.

With sincere appreciation,
Jeanne Liston, Executive Director

THE HUNGER PROJECT

This October, a group of families and individuals from around the Wood River Valley participated in our first Hunger Project by anonymously becoming clients of The Hunger Coalition.

Their experience, feelings and realizations are being shared with the general public in a special forum and in a feature article written by Dana Plasse in the Idaho Mountain Express.

[THE HUNGER PROJECT PUBLIC FORUM](#)

Wednesday, November 17th

6 - 7pm

**Light on The Mountains
Spiritual Center**

12466 Hwy 75

[Click here for map](#)



Details about The Hunger Project and all participants' journals available [on our website](#).

Empty Bowls

Create A Bowl ~ Feed A Family!

The Goal: To create 200 individual clay bowls at Boulder Mountain Clayworks in Ketchum

The Reason: A January event that will help feed families in need in the Wood River Valley

The Dates: Bowl making November 5th from 5:30 - 8:00 pm and November 20, time to be announced.

*All supplies are provided free of charge.
All proceeds go toward the purchase of food for the hungry.*

Join The Hunger Coalition and Boulder Mountain Clayworks for this special community event & fundraiser.

Please call 726-4484 or visit www.bouldermtnclay.com



Thank You, Blaine County!

With 29 participating restaurants, the third annual **Dine Out Blaine County!** was a genuine success.

On behalf of the local families and individuals who will experience wholesome food on their table and have a greater sense of joy in their hearts, thank you.



We are incredibly grateful to the support and dedication of these generous local restaurants for their participation and contribution to The Hunger Coalition:

Ketchum Grill, da Vinci's, CK's Real Food, three-TEN-main, Rickshaw, Globus, The BrickHouse, Mahoney's, Lago Azul, Lefty's, Rico's Pizza & Pasta, Cristina's, Taqueria al Pastor, Wrap City, The Sawtooth Club, Shorty's, KB's Burritos, Sushi on Second, Powerhouse, Rasberry's, Sun Valley Brewery, Il Naso, Four Peaks, Big Belly Deli, The Roosevelt, The Cellar Pub, Depserado's and Wiseguy Pizza (Hailey & Ketchum)

Announcements, Announcements

With a proud smile, and a heavy heart, we wish Wally Miller well as he transitions out of his position as Food Bank Supervisor in pursuit of significant career opportunities.

It has been a true pleasure having Wally as part of our team!

Simultaneously, we're thrilled to introduce you to our new Food Bank Supervisor, Robin Christensen!

Look for a complete introduction next month.

A Thoughtful Thanksgiving

This Holiday, The Hunger Coalition is working with the students at Silver Creek High School and the Sage School to ensure everyone in our community can enjoy the Holiday with a warm and welcome meal to share with family and friends.

THANKSGIVING BASKETS

Pick Up Your Basket on Tuesday, November 23rd at The Community Campus from 4:30 - 6pm



Applications available at:

St. Luke's Center for Community Health
The Advocates
La Alianza
Blaine County Services
Blaine County School District
Social Workers.

- Applications must be received by The Hunger Coalition no later than November 12th
- Download an application in [English](#) or [Spanish](#).
- Mail, deliver, email or fax Thanksgiving Basket Applications:

Mail: 121 Honeysuckle Street Bellevue, ID 83313
Email: tdaybaskets@thehungercoalition.org
Fax: (208) 928-7167

Got A Little Free Time?

Please join us Monday, November 22nd and Tuesday 23rd to prepare and distribute our precious [Thanksgiving Baskets](#) to the individuals and families in Blaine County who might otherwise not enjoy a welcoming meal with family and friends this holiday.

Email Naomi: nspence@thehungercoalition.org for more information.

Christmas is Coming!

The Sawtooth Board of Realtors Community Foundation will be accepting applications for the **Annual Holiday Baskets Program at The Community Campus**

- Thursday, November 11th 2 - 6pm
- Friday, November 12th 12 noon - 6pm
- Saturday, November 13th 12noon - 4pm

Please bring a picture ID and proof of Blaine County residency

Contact Ana Torres 481-0088 or Robin Christensen 720-2905

A Special Community Effort

With special thanks to Sarah Gray at Mountain West Bank for her time and energy and the continued efforts of everyone at The Animal Shelter for helping to keep local families together with their pets during these challenging economic times.



[Mountain West Bank](#) teamed up with [The Animal Shelter](#) to raise awareness and solicit donations for "**Paws for Hunger**", a collaborative program offered by The Animal Shelter and The Hunger Coalition.

The Result: Pet Food and Cash Donations to help feed the hungry pets in our community!

It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown

Congratulations to Jessica Mandeville

She correctly guessed the weight of the Great Pumpkin at the Harvest of Hope Celebration to be 27.9 pounds!



With Sincere Gratitude . . .

We would like to mention a few people and organizations in our community who are making a difference with their thoughtful gestures and generous support!

- For helping the team at The Hunger Coalition finds ways to work better together, **a heartfelt thank you to Claire Neeser for facilitating a special Color Workshop.**
- October brought beautiful upgrades for Hunger Coalition staff with **new desks graciously donated by the law office of Mike Feltman in Ketchum.**
- **Without the incredibly generous strength of Jim Banholzer, Chris Evans, Tony Evans, and Paul Bernstein,** we never would have gotten the desks inside the building ~ thank you for your hours of hard work on our behalf!
- **The employees and patrons of Zions Bank, in both Hailey, and Ketchum, deserve our great appreciation** for their contribution of more than 310 pounds of canned and dry goods for our Food Bank Warehouse shelves!
- **Tremendous thanks go to the Peco Foundation in recognition of a generous \$10,000 gift!** This level of support helps us to accomplish great strides in the fight against hunger!
- **The Idaho Food Bank Fund recently awarded The Hunger Coalition a \$1,500 grant** for the improvement and upgrade of our cold food storage capacity. We appreciate their belief in our efforts!

Jeanne Liston
Executive Director

Naomi Spence
Food Program Manager

Lorena Horne
Food Program Assistant

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Administrative and
Communications Assistant

Robin Christensen
Food Bank Supervisor

Evan Stelma
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Manager



Mission

The Hunger Coalition strives to end hunger in our community by providing wholesome food to those in need and by promoting solutions to the underlying causes of hunger through collaboration, education and advocacy.



Vision

We envision a community free from hunger where all individuals are able to participate as healthy, contributing members.



Values

Compassion for the plight of those less fortunate

Empowerment of the hungry to become healthy, contributing members of our community

Human Dignity and the right of all to have their basic needs met respectfully

Efficient Use of Donor Resources to meet our clients' needs

Responsibility toward our neighbors in need

Providing **Hope** to the hungry

All we can ask in our lives is that perhaps we can make a little difference in someone else's.
-Lillian Davis

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