



Our mission is to compassionately provide our neighbors in need with food and financial assistance and to provide support toward self-sufficiency.

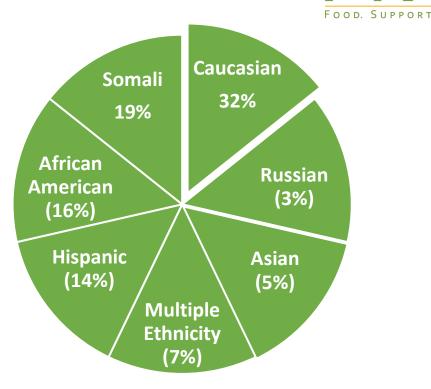
#### Who Walks Through the Doors at PROP?

- ✤ 45% about 1400 are children
- ✤ 13% are seniors, a 52% increase since 2015
- ✤ 56% are female
- 39% of households has two or more adults and children in the home
- ✤ 32% single parent household

24% of Eden Prairie11% of Chanhassen

Schoolchildren qualify for free or reducedprice lunch





#### Ethnically diverse clientele but with similar challenges:

- ✤ 64% of PROP clients are employed
- 50% earn less than \$1,000 per month
- Half of the households are below the MN poverty line
- Nearly 50% spend over 50% of income on housing,
  25% spend 80% on housing





## **Client Experience and Internal Processes**

## **Prior to COVID-19**

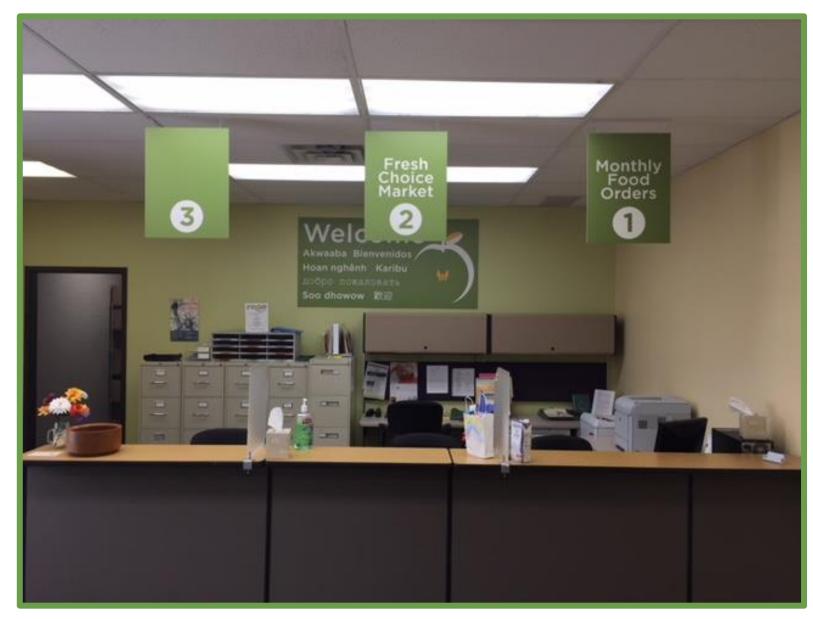
#### Welcome to PROP, People Reaching Out to People





- Founded in 1971
- Serves 3,300 People Annually
- Eden Prairie and Chanhassen
- Food Programs and Short-term
  Emergency and Financial Assistance

#### Clients are welcomed to the office





- Clients take a # to position for requested type of service
- Volunteers prepare food order
- Clients proceed to the Fresh Choice Market
- PROP forms available in Russian, Somali, and Spanish. Access to Language Line provides interpretation for 15 languages.



#### **PROP Food Shelf Warehouse Operations**





- The majority of PROP food is donated by the community
- 770,000 pounds of food distributed
- 5,100 food orders processed
- 1,700 Summer Food For Kids meal kits
- 180 Senior mobile deliveries made
- 76% of clients visit the food shelf every month

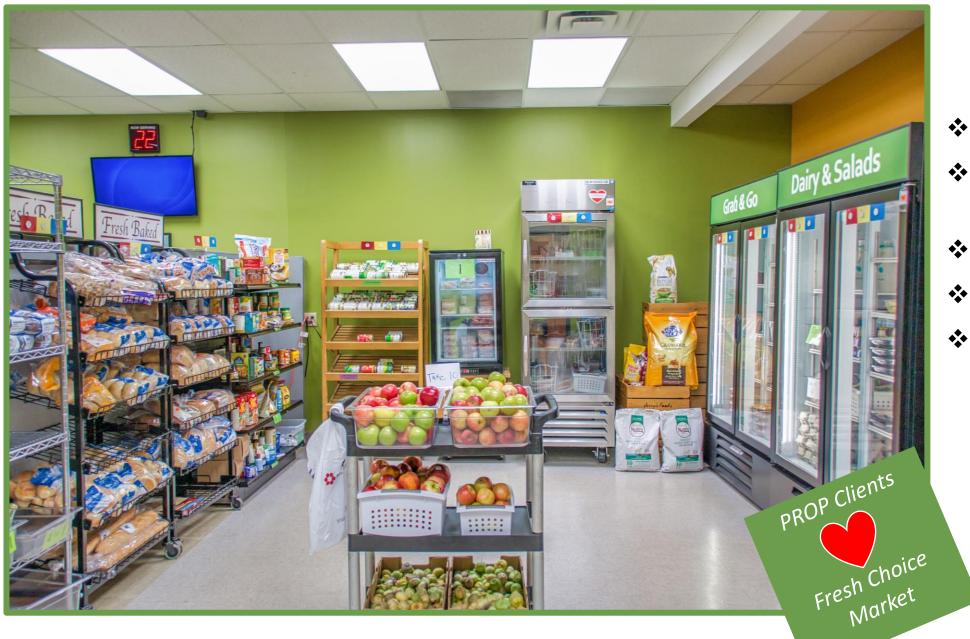
#### **Providing Individuals and Families with Household Items**





- Personal care items offered such as shampoo, toothpaste, and toiletries
- Paper products: toilet paper, facial tissue, napkins, paper towels
- Baby food and infant care products

#### Fresh Choice Market





- 12,800 visits in 2019
- Promotes self-selection for clients
- Grab & Go Meals
- Dairy & Salads
- Bread, fresh fruits and vegetables
  - "It's great to receive healthy food."
  - "Nice to get carrots vs junk food."
  - "Fresh veggies was the most lovely part because I could cook them at home."

#### Local Community Gardens Supply Fresh Choice Market



In 2017 PROP planted its own garden for a fresh and convenient supply of vegetables for the summer months



 A variety of faith-based and corporate gardens contribute between 1,300 to 2,000 pounds of fresh produce to PROP



#### Volunteers are a valuable resource



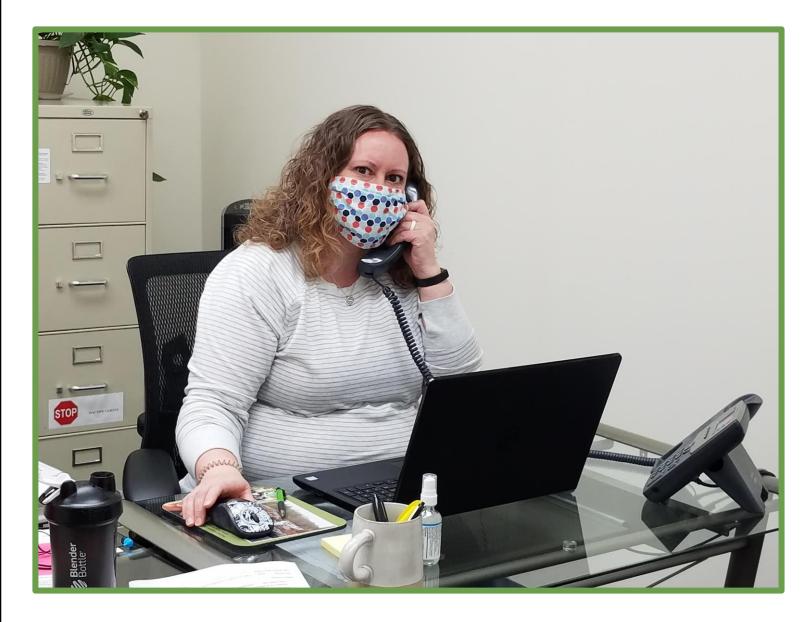
- 140 Weekly Volunteers
- 25 Daily Volunteers
- Volunteered 23,000 Hours in 2019
- ✤ Age range 16-86 years old





# PROP has remained open during the COVID-19 crisis with procedural, process, and policy changes

#### **Dedicated to Delivering All Services During these Uncertain Times**





- Case managers help clients with financial services via phone
- Implemented no contact curbside pickup
- Mental health counseling offered via phone
- Early initiation of Summer Food For Kids Program
- Proposed new policy to provide a onetime payment to eligible households to support our clients struggling with a loss of wages or income impacted by the COVID-19 shutdown

#### Staff and Volunteers Practice Safe Social Distancing





- Limited # of people in the building to work safely and minimize risk: 2-3 staff and 7-8 volunteers at any one time
- Non-operational staff are working remotely helping clients with additional services
- Streamlined processes is key due to reduction in resources



#### Fresh Choice Market Area Repurposed





- Buying 3x as much food to replace food rescue process from grocery stores and bulk food partners
- Boxes contain nonperishable items such as canned goods, pastas, cereals, paper products, and laundry detergent
- Each household receives 2 nonperishable food boxes and at least 3 bags containing milk, bread, eggs, meats, etc.
- A household of 5+ members leaves with approximately 150 pounds of items

#### **Build-A-Box Volunteers Prepare for Influx of Need**







- Team works staggered shifts outside of regular hours to put together nonperishable food boxes
- Streamlined process efficiently meets the growing weekly demand

#### *New Option for Fresh Produce with Bix Produce Box*









\*Items subject to change

1 ct Zucchini Squash 1 pt Grape Tomatoes 5 lb Carrot Slims

- Established new partnership with The Bix Produce Company to purchase boxes of fresh produce
- Each Bix Produce box costs \$26
- Boxes contain produce that is not food rescue
- Fresh produce boxes delivered directly to PROP to provide to clients

### Safely Supply Boxed and Fresh Food to Clients via Curbside Service



- Client places order and drives to PROP
- Upon arrival, client calls or texts PROP to provide their name and parking space #
- Volunteers deliver food order to clients
- New sign on PROP building indicates new food ordering and pick up instructions



#### Volunteers Delivering Food Order to Clients via No Contact Curbside Service





New temporary hours to maximize safety and provide uninterrupted needed services

MONDAY TUESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY WEDNESDAY 4:00 – 6:30pm

#### Established a New Partnership with SouthWest Transit





- Accommodates clients who use public transit or have been getting rides from friends to get to PROP
- 11% of PROP Clients do not have reliable transportation

#### Implemented a Safe Donation Procedure





- Donations can be brought to PROP during office hours
- Please stay in your vehicle
- Honk for service
- A volunteer will come and retrieve donations
   \*If no one responds, please call 952-937-9120
  - <sup>le</sup>Safe. <sub>Stay</sub> Healthy.

- Specifically requested items updated on PROP website and social media
- Tremendous community support throughout crisis period



#### **PROP Offers Much More than Food**



Provided 100 scholarships for camps and recreational activities

#### **Enrichment Programs**

Youth Scholarships Holiday Gift Card Program

500+ children's holiday gifts distributed

#### **Stability Services**

Employment Services Financial Mentoring Nutrition Coaching Health & Wellness

**Food Shelf** 

80 people used PROP's

employment service

Fresh Choice Market Summer Food for Kids Senior Mobile Delivery Snacks in School

**Financial Services** 

Homelessness Prevention Prescriptions Car Repair Child Care Utilities

70 families were able to avoid eviction and stay stably in their homes in 2019

1,700 meal kits for kids during the summer

250 Senior Mobile deliveries made





*"Thank you for everything."* I was very worried when I saw the empty shelves at the grocery stores on the news. I'm so relieved to get food here for my family, especially since I can't go to work and the children are

> home now." - PROP client



PROP and your neighbors in need are especially grateful for your support during this critical time! 22