

# Victor-Farmington Food Cupboard, Inc.

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## OUR MISSION

The Victor-Farmington Food Cupboard focuses on feeding families and individuals who are food insecure. We strive to serve everyone we encounter with **dignity and respect** and try to create a sense of empowerment so that our clients are able to achieve self-sufficiency. We rely on community volunteers and financial support and welcome partnerships and collaborations. Please share your ideas! **Together we can abolish hunger** in our region.

**HISTORY** The Victor-Farmington Food Cupboard was started in 1993 as an ecumenical food cupboard and became an independent and registered 501(c) (3) **not-for-profit corporation** on September 11, 2013. We serve residents of **Ontario County** who can provide proof of residency. We are a **client choice pantry**, which means clients get to make their own choices from the food we have to offer. This

model was chosen to preserve the dignity of our clients and gives them control in choosing food they will actually use. This has proven to be very effective and saves us money by us not over spending on less popular items. **National statistic: 1 in 6 people are food insecure**; they do not know where their next meal will come from. Clients who live anywhere in Ontario County may visit once per month. We are **100% volunteer and donation funded**. We are a member of **Foodlink** in Rochester. We apply for grants and follow Foodlink's guidelines to ensure food safety and civil rights compliance. The V-F Food Cupboard, Inc. also sponsors the **Victor Central School Backpack Program** started in 2009 by the Leadership classes to deliver extra food for VCS children in need during long weekends and school holidays. Approximately 200 students K-12 receive snackpacks. **Visit us:** 1246 Commercial Dr. Farmington or Facebook

## OUR NEEDS

Volunteers! We are open to serve clients:

MWF morns 9:30-11:30

MWR eves 5:30-7:30

July and Aug. Saturday morns 9-12

### Donations:

Paper products

Personal Hygiene items

Peanut Butter

Tuna Fish/canned meat

Soup

Cereal

Condiments-(oil, mayo ketchup, mustard)

Diapers

Birthday kits (cake mix candles, frosting)

Garden produce

Canned fruit



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