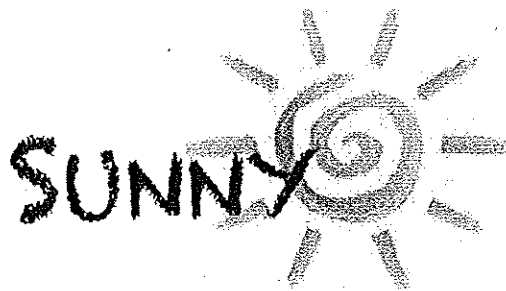


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Press Release



Serving Up Nutrition Now for Youth

Starting our 5th year serving our community through SUNNY

June 12th - September 1st

Providing simple healthy lunches to Children, Families, and other Individuals in the Community who might otherwise go without.

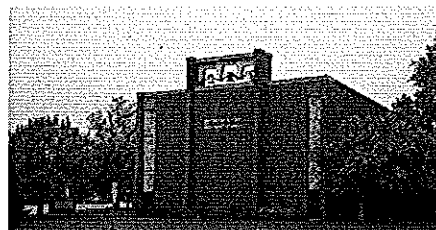
SUNNY guests pack a lunch for two days, the current and the next day. Meals are available on ~~Monday, Wednesday, Friday~~. Children are delighted to be able to choose what they want to eat. Meals are not eaten on site, but can be enjoyed any time of the day.

SUNNY has provided over 35,000 meals over a 4 year period. Each week over 30 volunteers help provide these meals. Many Service Cubs, Businesses have volunteered and/or supported SUNNY financially

We appreciate and thank you for any help in promoting SUNNY program to both Guests and Volunteers

Please check out the attached flyer for information on the SUNNY program

SUNNY is an outreach program of Brooklyn United Methodist Church. For more information on the SUNNY please contact church office 763-561-1684, www.bumc.org, Email: sunny@bumc.org





VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

There are many opportunities for service -- SUNNY needs at least 9 volunteers per day. We welcome volunteers from Business and Corporate groups, Organizations and families as well as individuals. Volunteers of all ages have found the experience extremely rewarding.

IN-KIND DONATIONS

We welcome packaged in-kind donations of such items as bread, sweet and salty snacks, and Ziploc sandwich or snack baggies. For a full list of in-kind needs, go to: www.bumc.org

PLEASE CONSIDER GIVING A FINANCIAL OR IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION, OR BEING A VOLUNTEER!

Financial gifts to the SUNNY Program, of any amount, are greatly appreciated.

It's a simple concept with a critical impact. Contribute to our children's health and success. Join us today.

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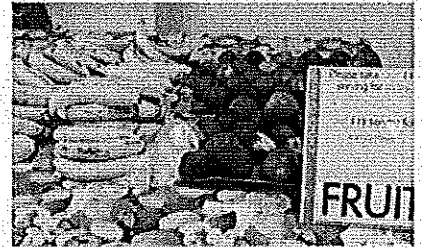
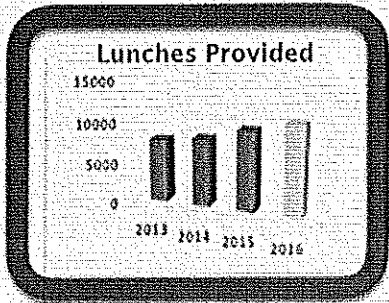


SERVING UP NUTRITION NOW FOR YOUTH

Providing free, simple healthy lunches to families in the greater Brooklyn area during the summer

11:30 am - 1:00 pm
Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays
June - August

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SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITIES

THE CHALLENGE & THE RESPONSE

In the Twin Cities the lack of consistent access to healthy affordable food is more than two and a half times the national average. Within the greater Brooklyn communities nearly 8,000 children and youth receive subsidized or free school lunches due to family income levels.

Entering our fifth year, Brooklyn United Methodist Church (BUMC)'s SUNNY program is ever growing and improving. Since our beginning we've served over 35,000 free meals to our guests.

"These lunches, 3 times a week are a huge blessing to my family. Plus, my kids love the food...and I know they are getting variety and healthy options."

WHAT'S IN A BAG LUNCH?

- There are many choices:
- One sandwich per person, made up of:
 - whole wheat, white bread or tortillas,
 - pre-portioned packets of chicken, turkey, beef or ham slices; or
 - packets of peanut butter and jelly
 - A packet of raw seasonal vegetables
 - A fresh fruit
 - A sweet or salty snack

The SUNNY guests pack a lunch for two days, the current and the next day. The lunches are not eaten on site, but are brought home to enjoy.



HOW YOUR DONATIONS HELP

- \$25**
One lunch for 25 guests
- \$50**
A week of lunches for 12 guests
- \$100**
A day's fresh fruit for 345 guests
- \$500**
A week of lunches for 118 guests
- \$1,000**
A month of lunches for 236 guests
- \$3,000**
A month of lunches for 708 guests