



Welcome 2023 Q4 Town Hall



Today's Topics

Prayer & Reflection

Mike's Message

Program Presentations

- Motel to Home & LEAP
- Chamblee Food Pantry
- Resources for Neighbors in Need
- Georgia United Credit Union
- Upcoming Formation

Open Forum Q&A



Opening Prayer

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Loving Creator, we ask for the insight to understand the needs of people we meet today that we might grasp the complexity of the situations that face us, and the absolute demands of human need.

God, enable each of us to risk being in solidarity with our brothers and sisters, to be contagious in our love for all, as we transmit the spirit of St. Vincent de Paul and Blessed Frédéric Ozanam.

Do not allow our fear, ignorance or pride to limit the action of your Spirit, nor allow our selfishness to prevent your Divine creativity within us from bearing fruit.

We ask this in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

Reflection

Mike Mies, Executive Director

Reflection: Friendship

Frédéric Ozanam once explained friendships can be strengthened by both words and actions. Words, by letters or emails, allow us to share our thoughts and share ourselves with each other even when we are far apart from our friends, but he went on, “**there are bonds stronger still than words: actions.**” Nothing can draw friends closer than to eat together, travel together, or work together.”

“**But if purely human acts have this power, moral acts have it even more, and if two or three come together to do good, their union will be perfect.**” [Letter 142, to Curnier, 1837] This is the special character of friendship that we form in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul; the friendship that we call an Essential Element of the Society – a friendship that is strengthened by the other two Essential Elements. After all, **what better moral acts could we perform together than to serve Christ in the poor, and to seek holiness together?**

Indeed, we are called very specifically to share our service, to visit the poor in pairs. We cannot truly understand or live our Vincentian friendship apart from service and spirituality. These are the friends with whom we have walked together, seeking, and finding Jesus Christ. Sitting with Him. Listening to Him. Praying with Him. Working to ease His burdens.

Adapted from: Contemplation: Chosen as Friends (Tim Williams)

Contemplate: In what ways have I seen my Vincentian service strengthen my friendships with fellow members?

Housing Updates

Motel To Home – Heidi Eveleigh

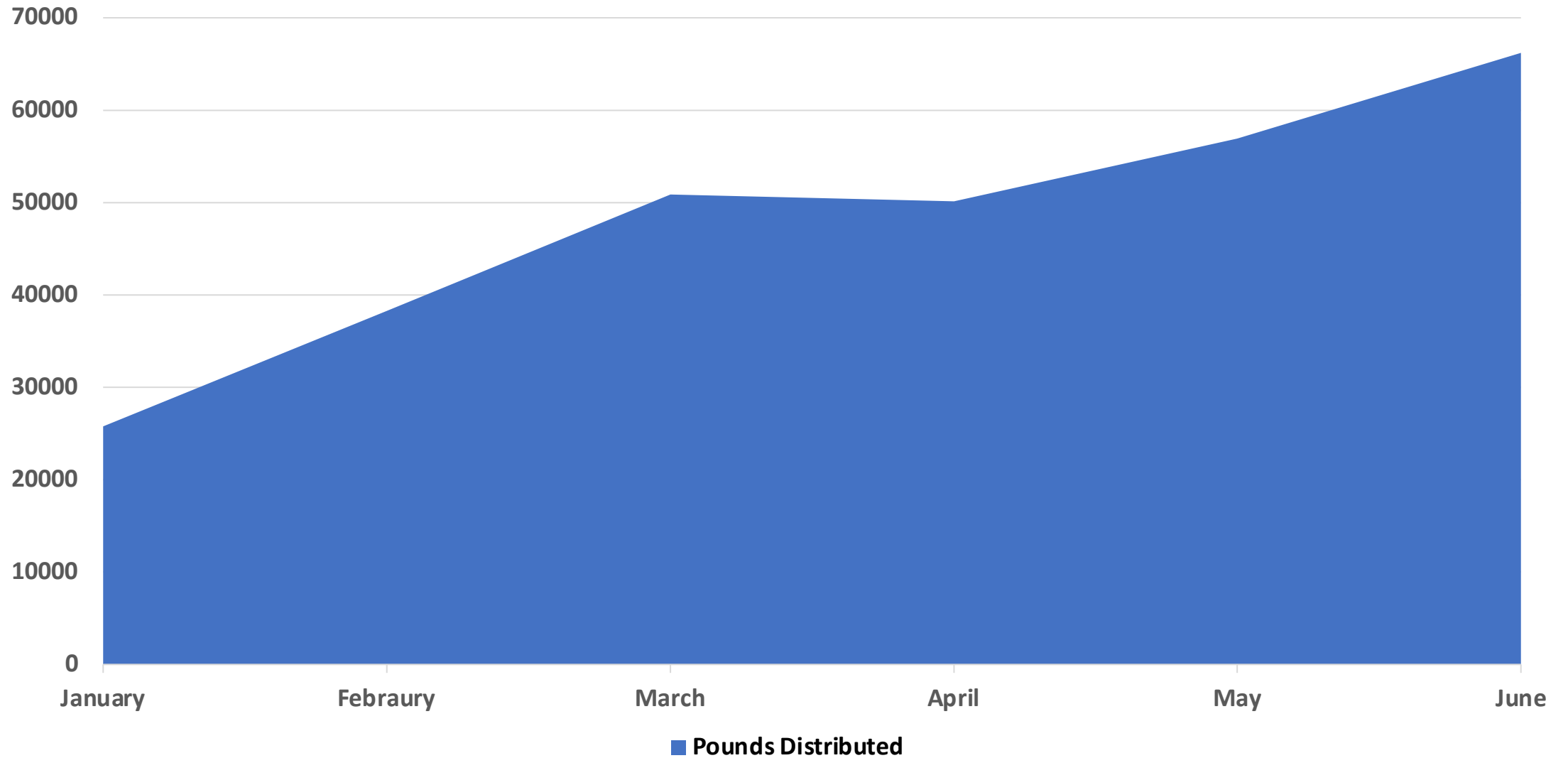
LEAP – Auriell Towner

Chamblee Food Pantry News

Adam Seeley, Director of Hunger Initiatives

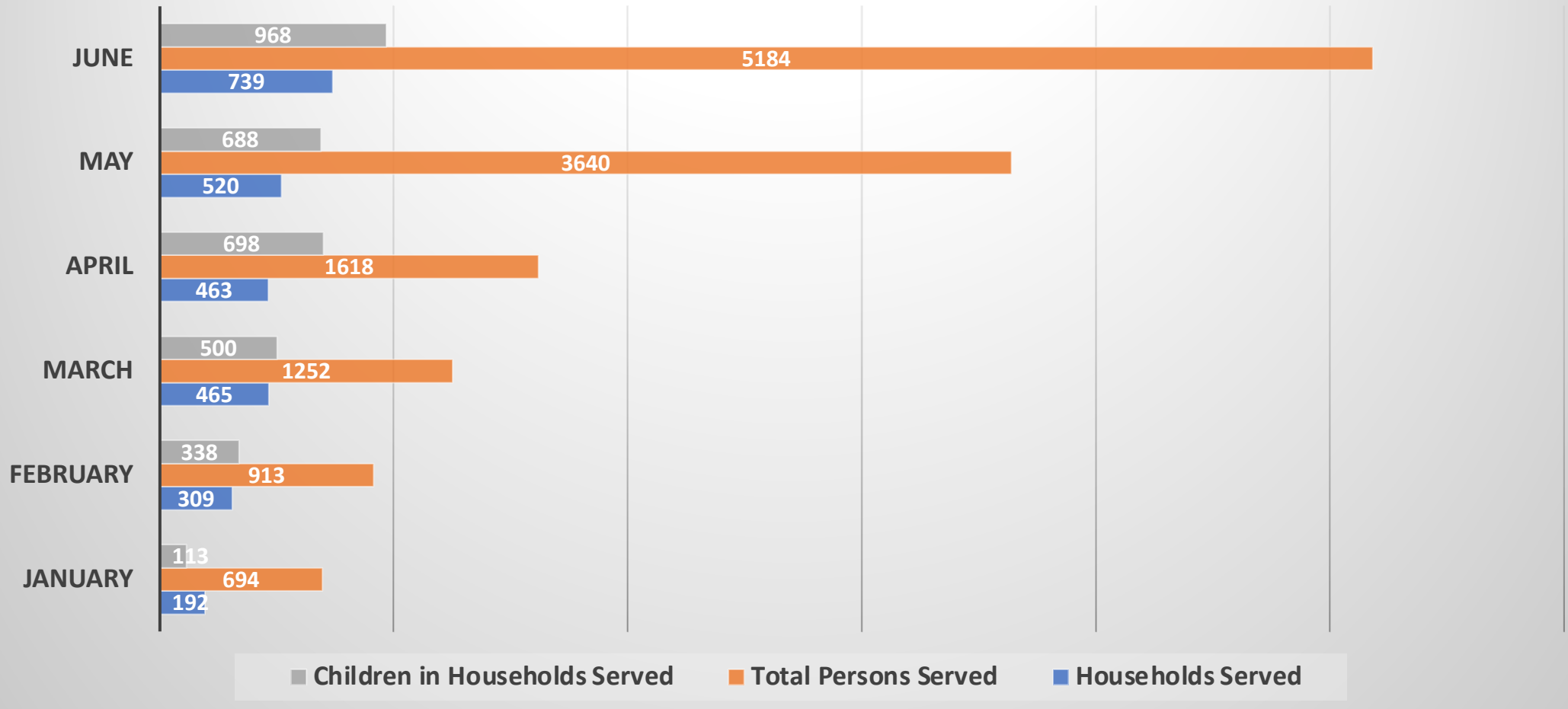
Chamblee Food Pantry Distribution

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Chamblee Food Pantry Impact

Neighbors In Need Served



Resources for Neighbors in Need

Christa Frye, Council Case Manager

Resources at the CSC

Food Pantry

Sign up or renew
government services –
SNAP, Medicaid, WIC,
CAPS, TANF

Sign up for free
government phones

Diabetes and blood
pressure screenings
and education

Pro bono legal
services

Medical referrals to
address unmet health
needs of Fulton and
DeKalb Counties

Banking services –
new accounts, etc.

Pharmacy

Georgia United Credit Union

Leigh Gant, Business Development Officer

On-Demand Financial Webinars

THE CREDIT UNION DIFFERENCE

Learn about the differences between credit unions and banks. Presented by Ken Chrzanowski, Certified Credit Union Financial Counselor (CCUFC).

WHEN SHOULD I...

Learn how to determine if refinancing makes sense for your situation and the steps involved in the process. Presented by Ken Chrzanowski, Certified Credit Union Financial Counselor (CCUFC).

MANAGING A FINANCIAL HARDSHIP

Learn the key steps to managing your finances during times of hardship. Presented by Maria Peifer.

THE VALUE OF A DOLLAR

Learn ways you can start teaching your elementary and middle school aged child basic spending and saving behavior. Presented by Harrison Stafford.

IDENTITY THEFT

Learn ways you can protect yourself from identity theft and fraud during economic hardships. Presented by Steve Overcash.

INTRO TO CREDIT

Learn how to establish, build and maintain credit. Presented by Leigh Gant.

FINANCE FOR KIDS

Learn some practical tips to help children understand money and managing finances. Presented by Leigh Gant.

FINANCE FOR TEENS

Learn some practical tips to help teens and young adults understand money and managing finances. Presented by Leigh Gant.

FINANCE FOR PARENTS

Learn how and why children and teens need to learn about money, what motivates them to learn, and some practical tips. Presented by Leigh Gant.

FINANCIAL PREPAREDNESS

Learn concrete tips to help put yourself in a better financial position. Presented by Leigh Gant.

CAR BUYING 101

Learn how to get the car buying process started and some practical tips to help you along the way. Presented by Leigh Gant.



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Financial Education for AoA Employees

Help employees manage and grow their money with Georgia United Credit Union's Workplace Banking program.

Georgia United offers a digital financial education program designed to help your employees better manage their money. Employees of the **Archdiocese of Atlanta** will qualify to receive this benefit at no cost. Get started today and take the first step in helping your employees prepare for a secure financial future.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Series of interactive learning modules on key financial topics
- Mobile and tablet enabled so you can learn anytime, anywhere
- Short lessons (3-6 minutes each)
- Lessons available in both English and Spanish
- Custom reports highlighting employee topics of interest



40+ LESSONS TOPICS INCLUDING:



Budgeting



Insurance



Credit Scores & Reports



Identity Protection



Retirement 101



Auto Loans

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New members can earn up to \$1,000* within their first year of membership as a Workplace Banking Partner benefit. Earnings will be deposited into qualifying members' Prime Share savings account.



Checking

- Within 90 days of opening account:
- Receive qualifying Direct Deposit
 - Activate and use your debit card

EARN \$100



Mortgage

- Purchase or refinance with minimum loan amount of \$100,000
- Qualification met based on loan closed and after first payment

EARN \$500



Credit Card

- Within 90 days of opening account:
- Complete 10 purchases
 - Qualification met after purchases and first payment

EARN \$100



Money Market

- Open an account with \$1,000 minimum balance
- Qualification met within 90 days with minimum balance met

EARN \$25



Auto Loan

- New, used or refinance with a minimum loan amount of \$5,000
- Qualification met based on loan closed and after first payment

EARN \$75



Relationship Kicker

- Complete qualifications for all five products

EARN \$200

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Counties Served



Counties of Service Georgia United Credit Union			
Banks	Dawson	Habersham	Oglethorpe
Barrow	DeKalb	Hall	Paulding
Bartow	Douglas	Haralson	Pickens
Bryan	Effingham	Hart	Polk
Butts	Elbert	Henry	Rabun
Carroll	Fannin	Jackson	Rockdale
Catoosa	Fayette	Jasper	Spalding
Chatham	Floyd	Laurens	Stephens
Chattooga	Forsyth	Lincoln	Towns
Cherokee	Franklin	Lumpkin	Union
Clarke	Fulton	Madison	Walker
Clayton	Gilmer	Morgan	Walton
Cobb	Gordon	Murray	White
Coweta	Greene	Newton	Whitfield
Dade	Gwinnett	Oconee	Wilkes

Join GUCU:



Upcoming Events

Save the Dates!

Formation

- **August 3**
Housing Zoom on Veteran Resources
- **August 17**
Treasurer's Handbook Training
- **September 7**
Annual Report Training
- **September 9**
D9 Ozanam Orientation (Feast Day)
- **September 14**
Invitation to Lead President/VP and Secretary

Community Events

- **August 4 & 5**
Cobb Veteran's Resource Fair
- **September 13**
DeKalb Veteran's Resource Fair
- **September 25**
Tee Off for Hope
- **October 14**
SVdP Block Party



Open Forum

Q & A

Closing Prayer

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Lord Jesus, you who willed to become poor,
give us eyes and a heart directed toward the poor;
help us to recognize you in them-
in their thirst, their hunger, their loneliness, and their misfortune.

Enkindle within our Vincentian Family
unity, simplicity, humility,
and the fire of love
that burned in St. Vincent de Paul.

Strengthen us, so that, faithful to the practice of these virtues,
we may contemplate you and serve you in the person of the poor,
and may one day be united with you and them in your Kingdom.

Amen.