Mission Statement
Yorkville Common Pantry is dedicated to reducing hunger while promoting dignity and self-sufficiency. YCP champions the cause of the hungry through food pantry and meal distribution programs, nutrition education, basic hygiene services, homeless support, and related services. YCP’s community-based programs focus on East Harlem and other underserved communities throughout New York City.

YCP is grateful for our ongoing relationship with our 19 sponsoring organizations that not only provide volunteers, Board members, funds, food and other donations, but further infuse our work with profound meaning and reward. We consider these organizations to be caring members of the extended YCP family, and feel very fortunate to have their dedication and involvement.

Sponsoring Organizations
The Brick Presbyterian Church
The Church of St. Edward the Martyr
The Church of St. Ignatius Loyola
The Church of Heavenly Rest
The Church of the Holy Trinity
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Park Avenue United Methodist Church
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St. James Church
St. Jean Baptiste Church
St. Joseph Yorkville
St. Thomas More Catholic Church
St. Vincent Ferrer Church
Temple Emanu-El
Temple Israel of the City of New York
Temple Shaaray Tefila
The Unitarian Church of All Souls

In December 2009, YCP was prominently featured in New York Family magazine in its annual “What’s Your Favorite Charity?” roundup. Receiving the highest rating of “Five Stars,” YCP was selected as one of five “Family Pick” charities for offering outstanding program opportunities for families to volunteer together to respond to pressing community needs.

YCP Recognition
In the same week, YCP was honored by the Robin Hood Foundation with its prestigious Heroes Award and a $50,000 grant for continued services for the needy. Mayor Michael Bloomberg spoke at the breakfast ceremony, and presenters included Robin Hood Founder Paul Tudor Jones and Robin Hood board members Tom Brokaw, Geoffrey Canada and Daniel Och. Every year, the Robin Hood Foundation celebrates people and organizations making extraordinary contributions in the fight against poverty. Qualities honored include tenacity, selflessness, innovation, and the ability to profoundly affect people’s lives. The Robin Hood Foundation also honored Halana Richardson, a 44-year-old mother of three, who received food services and other assistance from YCP as a first-time visitor to a food pantry.

Early in 2010, YCP received the Hunger Prevention and Nutrition Assistance Program (HPNAP) 2009 Best Practice Award in January, and was honored by the New York State Department of Health in a ceremony in Albany, NY. The award recognized YCP’s commitment to providing its clients not only food, but the nutritional information and tools to live healthier lives. YCP has worked to advance nutrition in East Harlem, a community that confronts challenges such as obesity, diabetes, and limited access to produce, by offering its pantry clients and their families a series of cooking and nutrition education workshops.

Make a gift to YCP: The Internal Revenue Service has determined that YCP is exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and is a publicly-supported charity under Section 509(a)(1). YCP therefore qualifies for the maximum charitable contribution deduction allowed to individual donors. If you would like to discuss will bequests or other planned giving techniques that provide YCP with a more stable long-term financial base, please contact Abigail Franklin, Development Director at (917) 720-9707 or afranklin@ycp.org.
Dear Friends,

“Are we still in America?”

This awestruck question was uttered by Diego, a nine-year-old participant in Yorkville Common Pantry’s (YCP) Nutrition Initiative for Children and Families last summer. Like many of the 34 other children with him on a field trip to Katchkie Farms in Columbia County, he had never been outside of New York City. He had never observed how eggplants, peppers and tomatoes grow, nor had he ever even considered it. The sights, sounds and smells were overwhelming. “This is the best day of my life!” another child exclaimed.

Thirty years ago, when volunteers from East Side churches and synagogues formed YCP in response to the crisis of poverty and homelessness that government could not adequately address, they could not have imagined that hunger, food insecurity and the paradox of obesity in poor communities would exist in our city in 2010. Nor would they have been able to imagine that three decades later, children still live in ‘food deserts’ where fresh and healthy food is unavailable, or that the need would have grown exponentially so that YCP’s pantry program serves over 2 million meals a year to nearly 18,000 people.

Since 2008, YCP has seen a 100% increase in the number of families seeking our help. Equally true today as in 1980, this extreme situation calls for new responses. In addition to food, we must address hunger by providing information, education, training, instruction, and access to resources. Last year, toward those ends, we doubled enrollment in our nutrition education and cooking classes. That translated into almost 1,000 distinct individuals, including almost 400 children, receiving hands-on cooking and nutrition instruction, taking part in walking groups to greenmarkets in the community, and participating in field trips to places like Katchkie Farms. In the coming year we will again seek to expand this program so we can serve more families in order to impact behavior in the early years.

Just as important, we will continue to expand the variety of support services for pantry families and homeless adults. Last year we helped over 5,000 people receive services other than food, including helping members of our community access $1.2 million in benefits through the streamlined electronic Paperless Office System. We partnered with other organizations to provide free on-site tax, legal and psychiatric services, as well as medical screenings.

By providing benefits and services, food and nutrition instruction, treating people with dignity and respect all along the way, we believe we can continue to make a difference during these difficult times.

Thank you for your continued support.
Sincerely,
Stephen Grimaldi
Message from the Chair

Dear Friends,

I am honored to be the new Chair of the Yorkville Common Pantry, and I ask for your support as I undertake this new challenge. For almost two-thirds of YCP’s history, I have been volunteering at the Pantry, and I have seen the many changes over the years: the spike in number of clients served, the dramatic enhancement in our physical space, the improvement in the nutrition of the food we distribute and the increasing professionalization of our ways of working. Now it is time for YCP’s supporters to grow as the organization has grown: be more engaged, contribute more, volunteer and be part of our mission! Discover the feeling of Community that working at the Pantry has given me and can give to you.

I began to volunteer because I wanted to represent to my then young sons the importance of giving back. I stayed, because the work is meaningful, fulfilling, and important, and because YCP does the work better than anyone else in the field. We serve more meals, distribute more fresh produce, and teach better nutrition to children and families. And all that is just a start.

Come visit!

Wendy Stein

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Board Retirees

YCP Board Members Retire

We extend special appreciation to the two members of the YCP Board who retired in 2010. Laura Weissberg was the sponsoring organization representative from Temple Emanu-El for many years and served with devotion and creativity on the Board’s Development Committee and annual Benefit Committee. Dolores Morrissey served faithfully as the sponsoring organization representative from St. Thomas More Church. YCP is grateful to both Laura and Dolores for so many years of service to YCP’s clients and mission.

Sherrell Andrews Completes Term as Board Chair

Sherrell Andrews completed her term as YCP Board Chairman in June 2010 following three years of leadership that included chairing the Search Committee to recruit the new YCP Executive Director. Previously, Sherrell chaired the Long Range Planning Task Force and served on the Nominations Committee and the Executive Committee. She joined the Board of YCP as the sponsoring organization representative from Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, where she had served on MAPC’s Outreach Committee for many years. YCP is deeply grateful to Sherrell for her exemplary service. Sherrell remains on the board as a Vice-Chair and Chair of the Sponsoring Organization Committee.

Stephen Grimaldi YCP Executive Director, Laura Weissberg, retired YCP Board Member, and Sherrell Andrews former YCP Board Chair
Three Decades of Service to the Hungry

1980’s
1980 YCP becomes one of the first 20 emergency food pantries in NYC, distributing pantry to 30 families in basement of Church of the Holy Trinity (88th and 1st)
1982 YCP begins operating its first hot meal program (“soup kitchen”) at PS 151 (1st Ave and 91st St)
1986/7 YCP expands from the basement of Holy Trinity to its new facilities on 109th Street
1987 YCP provides complete holiday dinners for 250 families
1988 YCP partners with Momentum to start “Lunch for Life” Program, to serve people living with AIDS

1990’s
1992 YCP’s first Capital Campaign raises $700,000 for renovations
1992 YCP’s Project Dignity begins serving breakfast 5 days a week. Clients are also provided with showers as well as washers and dryers for the first time
1993 YCP holds their first Joint School Association dances for 6th and 7th graders from local Independent Schools
1994 YCP begins operating a small overnight shelter for 8 homeless Project Dignity clients
1997 Mt. Sinai offers volunteer health care services at YCP

2000’s
2000 Due to growing incidence of unemployment, YCP adds Saturday as Pantry Distribution Day
2002 YCP’s Hot Meal Program moves to 8 East 109th Street in East Harlem
2003 YCP opens the 24/7YCP Program, the only 24 hour, 7 day-a-week emergency food program in New York State
2005 Food Bank for NYC honors YCP as its ‘Food Program of the Year’
2007 After renovating its East Harlem facility, YCP builds additional floor which reduces wait time, increases the number of clients able to be served, and eliminates the “breadline” outside on the street.
2010 YCP serves 2 million meals for the second consecutive year
New Program Initiatives

Nutrition Initiative for Children and Families (NICF)
The Nutrition Initiative for Children and Families (NICF) program offers eleven interactive nutrition education classes monthly to 350 people. Classes are offered to adults, families and children helping address the prevalence of diabetes and obesity throughout the community by teaching them healthy food preparation and habits such as stretching household “food dollars” and ways to prepare fresh vegetables. Of the eleven weekly classes, eight are specifically tailored to children. These classes are held at YCP, local community-based organizations and junior high schools within three blocks from YCP.

YCP expanded the number of NICF classes offered to kids in January this year from four classes (three for adults and one for children) to eleven classes (three for adults and eight for children). Classes are offered both on site and throughout East Harlem at community-based organizations, as well as Junior High School 13. The program is very popular with adults and children, and participation has grown by 33%. NICF provided nutrition education workshops to 567 adults and 365 children who attended more than 90 classes during the year.

Nutritious and affordable foods are harder to come by than in many other communities, both causing and exacerbating this public health crisis. NICF directly addresses these issues, unquestionably linked to poverty and poor nutrition, by teaching participants how to make healthy and tasty food.

Fresh Produce Initiative
Providing as much fresh produce to our clients as possible is a priority at Yorkville Common Pantry. In the summer of 2009, YCP distributed a survey that was completed by 600 pantry families. Their message was clear: pantries do not give enough fresh food. As a result, YCP began its fresh food initiative last winter by reducing the distribution of canned vegetables and pursuing new funds to purchase fresh food. YCP now complements its distribution of donated food with more purchased food than ever before, made possible by economies of scale, enhanced purchasing power, and increased private funding.

YCP augments its purchases of fresh produce with donations from organizations like City Harvest, Great Performances, Sodexo at The Mount Sinai Medical Center and the New York Academy of Medicine. As a result of this initiative, YCP has been able to greatly increase the amount of fresh vegetables provided to each family in the last twelve months. These fresh packages are combined with staples like cereals, rice, pasta and beans received through a longstanding relationship with the Food Bank for New York City.
**NICF Client Story**

“Justin always hated eating fresh vegetables,” says his mother, Sandra.

However, since the two of them began attending YCP’s Nutrition Initiative for Children and Families (NICF) classes, they have been eating healthier. Both of them have set goals to lose weight and are both feeling better and more energetic. Sandra has also noticed that Justin is much more outgoing and has more self-confidence. To make eating healthier more fun, Justin and Sandra are preparing and cooking meals that they learned in class together! Justin and Sandra enjoy the classes and continue to improve their well-being.

Sandra and son Justin, age 10

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**YCP Kids go on a field trip!**

*Article by Kirsten Rischert-Garcia YCP Summer Intern*

It might be hard to imagine kids being enthusiastic about vegetables, but in YCP’s Nutrition Initiative for Children and Families program, participants can’t wait to learn more about their fresh food options. During the summer, the participating children and families, visited one of YCP’s partner organizations, the Sylvia Center at Katchkie Farm in Columbia County, to learn how vegetables and fruits are grown and harvested.

On arrival to Katchkie Farm, the children were offered fresh picked peaches to eat. As each participant completed the orientation, they were led to the greenhouse containing an array of vegetables, including, a tomato plant whose vines stretched from the ground towards the ceiling. The children and their parents were amazed by the types of vegetables being grown and were awed by their variety of colors and shapes. As they toured the facilities, the children eagerly noticed the little houses for the chickens, pigs, and goats along with the acres of green grass available for them to graze. For many of the children, the trip marked their first visit outside of New York City and the lush green farmland sharply contrasted the urban landscapes of their own neighborhoods.

Instructors helped the children to pick fresh eggplant and to make lunch using the freshly picked produce. The kids chopped ingredients with confidence, using kitchen skills they had mastered in their YCP cooking classes. The parents, who are YCP food pantry clients, were impressed with their children’s kitchen knowledge in preparing these foods. When lunch was ready, everyone eagerly ate their hearty and healthy homemade eggplant tacos. By the end of the trip, everyone was asking, “When can we come back?”

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In addition to cooking classes, children and their parents visit the Harvest Home Farmers’ Market on 124th Street at Marcus Garvey Park. Each child receives four dollars in “youth bucks,” sponsored by Mt. Sinai Medical Center and NYC Department of Health, to purchase items from the market. Thanks to the Nutrition Initiative for Children & Families program, children and their parents are able to make healthier food choices and are able to serve homemade dishes using fresh fruits and vegetables.
Existing Programs

**Food Pantry Program**

YCP is New York City’s largest community-based food pantry and is designed to meet the needs of our families by providing culturally-appropriate and nutritiously-balanced food. Last year, YCP’s Pantry programs provided food assistance to 7,770 distinct families—a total of 17,941 individuals—who came to YCP 77,613 times in the course of the year and received 2,027,941 meals.

Every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, YCP distributes grocery packages to 1,600 to 1,800 needy families. Our Friday pantry distribution aims to meet the needs of our senior citizens and disabled pantry members. Additionally, our unique Saturday pantry distribution serves the working poor and those participating in education or training programs during the week. Volunteers prepare nutritionally-balanced bags of groceries that provide each family member three meals a day for three days.

**365 YCP** (formerly 24/7YCP)

This program, open 365 days a year, provides emergency pantry bags to the needy from all five boroughs of the city. In addition, it provides ready-to-eat brown bag meals that are available for clients to consume immediately during the emergency pantry intake process. Families and individuals, who have difficulty accessing soup kitchens, especially during holidays, rely on this very important service. Infant formula, food and disposable diapers are provided when available. The program received 6,500 visits, provided services to nearly 13,000 hungry adults, children and elderly. The program continues to meet the acute hunger needs of families and individuals from the 5 Boroughs of New York City.

In addition, 365 YCP case managers see pantry members on a regular basis to screen for entitlements and benefits; assist with acquiring benefits such as public assistance or Social Security Supplemental Income or make employment referrals; and provide assistance with accessing the appropriate resources to prevent families from being evicted from their homes. Through unique collaborations with New York City’s Human Resources Administration and other social service providers, 365 YCP case managers are also able to directly process Medicaid and Food Stamp Program applications for our families on site.

**Client Story**

**Yvonne Johnson**

Last May, Yvonne Johnson came to YCP for the first time. She was unemployed, had no source of income, and was currently taking care of her father. Marion, a YCP case-worker, referred her to the Home Health Agency, where they were holding trainings for personal care assistants. Yvonne recounts that she was the oldest person in her training class and was noticing many of the younger people dropping out; at this point, she made a promise to herself that she would finish the course. This October, Yvonne became certified as a home health care aide. She came back to share the great news with Marion and YCP: “I didn’t forget you. I didn’t forget this place!”
Project Dignity
We provide case management services to homeless individuals. Last year, case managers worked with 366 clients to offer counseling and referral services, helping them obtain housing, jobs, entitlements, substance abuse treatment or other medical and social services. Project Dignity’s array of services are designed to meet the most basic needs of YCP’s clients—food, haircuts, mail service, laundry—as well as addressing the larger, more challenging issues they face—long-term housing, health care, benefits and employment. The overall goal of the program is to serve as a bridge back to health, well-being and self-sufficiency for the homeless and hungry.

Hot Meal Program
This program serves breakfast Monday through Friday and dinner on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. A total of 75,800 meals were provided last year, an increase of 13% from the previous year. Our staff cooks prepare balanced meals with wholesome ingredients. Beyond providing nutritious food, the program offers participants a chance to sit, eat and socialize in a relaxing, safe and convivial atmosphere that may be their only reprieve from the stress of being homeless or living in poverty. Additionally, we partner with medical service providers to offer a range of medical screenings during meal programs.
Throughout the years, YCP has built relationships with dozens of public and independent schools, ranging from nursery schools, elementary, middle and high schools, as well as colleges and universities. Last year, 52 schools were represented by volunteers and donors who made our programs possible. Community service interns support our efforts and educate their peers about poverty and hunger. Groups from various schools organize food drives or donate toys, books and clothing for YCP client families. The commitment of our school volunteers is always inspiring and greatly appreciated. We especially thank the following schools for their work with us last year:

Abraham Joshua Heschel School
The Alexander Robertson School
All Souls School
The Allen-Stevenson School
Baruch College
The Birch Wathen Lenox School
The Brearley School
The Brick Church School
The Browning School
The Buckley School
The Caedmon School
Central Synagogue:
May Family Nursery School
The Chapin School
Children’s All Day School
The Children's Storefront
The City University of New York Collegiate School
Columbia Grammar and Preparatory School
Columbia University
Convent of the Sacred Heart
The Dalton School
The Dwight School
Ella Baker School
The Ethical Culture Fieldston School
The Family School
The Hewitt School
Horace Mann School
Hunter College High School
Hunter College School of Social Work
International Preschool
LaGuardia High School
La Scuola D’Italia
Madison Avenue Presbyterian Day School
Manhattan Country School
Marymount School
New Design High School
The Nightingale-Bamford School
Pace University-
The Center for Community Outreach
The Packer Collegiate Institute
Park Avenue Christian Church Day School
Park Avenue Synagogue
Early Childhood Center
The Parkside School
Philosophy Day School
The Ramaz School
Regis High School
Resurrection Episcopal Day School
Riverdale Country School
Rudolf Steiner School
SAR High School
The Spence School
St. Bernard’s School
St. David’s School
St. Jean Baptiste High School
St. Joseph’s School
St. Thomas More Playgroup
St. Vincent Ferrer High School
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Temple Emanuel Nursery School
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The Trevor Day School
Trinity School
The Urban Assembly Academy for Civic Engagement
Williamsburg Collegiate Charter School
Vanguard High School
York Avenue Pre-School
York Preparatory School
The Young Women’s Leadership School

Joint School Association (JSA) Dances
YCP sponsored three dances for middle school students in September, October and December 2009. These Friday night events were enthusiastically attended by hundreds of students from schools that also conduct community service programs at YCP each year. While dancing and socializing together, the students raised significant funds for YCP’s programs through ticket sales.
Annual Spring Event

On March 10, 2010, Yorkville Common Pantry held its annual Spring Benefit at the historic Bohemian National Hall, a Yorkville landmark. The evening’s 236 guests helped raise $245,000 to support YCP’s programs. Presiding at the event was Master of Ceremonies, Rosanna Scotto, co-host of Good Day New York on Fox 5. Three distinguished honorees received awards at the event. A Community Partner Award was presented to Liz Neumark/Great Performances, a catering company also committed to feeding the city’s hungry through two decades of food rescue programs. Since 2006, Ms. Neumark’s company has earmarked 5% of its annual harvest from its own farm, Katchkie Farm in Columbia County, to anti-hunger projects. Also receiving a Community Partner Award was Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, one of YCP’s sponsoring organizations. Under the guidance of Reverend Dr. Fred Anderson, who accepted the award for his congregation, MAPC has developed an extensive local Outreach Ministries program that helps support YCP. The Helene Abraham Award was presented to YCP Board member, Wendy A. Stein, a longtime volunteer in YCP’s pantry program. The evening also featured a silent auction and raffle items.
YCP offers several opportunities for individuals to donate their time over the past year. Generous individuals helped us carry out our work in the following ways:

### On-Site Opportunities
- Unloaded and shelved food from the delivery trucks
- Pre-packed pantry bags for pantry distribution
- Distributed grocery packages during our food pantry
- Served breakfast and/or dinner at our meal programs
- Prepared meals and food packages for our emergency 365 YCP food program

### Off-Site Opportunities
- Participated in one of our monthly food drives
- Prepared sandwiches for our 365 YCP food program
- Hosted a clothing drive for items such as coats, scarves and gloves
- Invited YCP staff member to speak about our programs
- Participated in one of our holiday related activities

“The commitment, dedication and fellowship that exists at the Pantry is beyond compare! As a volunteer, our mission is to inspire dignity….but, in the end, we are the ones who are inspired by them!”

— Kathy Cobb, YCP Community Volunteer

“My experience at YCP was amazing and personally very emotional. I was humbled by the number of people who use their services and how appreciative they were by the littlest act of hospitality that is given to them. YCP is a great asset to their community and the people that they serve.”

— Laura Chan, ING Corporate Volunteer

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**Number of Volunteers** - 2,257, a 57% increase from last year

**Total number of Volunteer hours worked** - 23,235

Without the dedication and tireless enthusiasm of our volunteers, YCP could not provide its services. Volunteers are an integral part of our organization, and their contributions are invaluable and much appreciated. From helping with food deliveries to serving food at one of our meal programs, YCP offers a variety of volunteer opportunities. We also host a variety of group events for schools, companies, religious organizations, etc. In addition to on-site opportunities, there are also opportunities to help off-site. To volunteer with YCP, please contact Gladys Ortiz, Volunteer Coordinator at 917-720-9710 or gortiz@ycp.org. We look forward to hearing from you!

**Corporate Volunteer Groups:**
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- American Express
- American Securities
- Beanstalk Group
- Best Buy
- Deloitte
- GMS

- Goldman Sachs
- ING
- KPMG
- Legg Mason
- NBC Universal
- Novartis
- Ogilvy

- Oprah Magazine
- PC Partners
- Polo Ralph Lauren
- Price Water House
- Safe Count
- TILE Financial
- White Case
Clients receiving services other than food: 5,134
Cash value of benefits accessed for clients: $1,227,730
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The New York Community Trust Edward Whitney Fund
Woodbourne Foundation
The Donald and Barbara Zucker Family Foundation

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In December 2009, YCP was prominently featured in New York Family magazine in its annual “What’s Your Favorite Charity?” roundup. Receiving the highest rating of “Five Stars,” YCP was selected as one of five “Family Pick” charities for offering outstanding program opportunities for families to volunteer together to respond to pressing community needs.

In the same week, YCP was honored by the Robin Hood Foundation with its prestigious Heroes Award and a $50,000 grant for continued services for the needy. Mayor Michael Bloomberg spoke at the breakfast ceremony, and presenters included Robin Hood Founder Paul Tudor Jones and Robin Hood board members Tom Brokaw, Geoffrey Canada and Daniel Och. Every year, the Robin Hood Foundation celebrates people and organizations making extraordinary contributions in the fight against poverty. Qualities honored include tenacity, selflessness, innovation, and the ability to profoundly affect people’s lives. The Robin Hood Foundation also honored Halana Richardson, a 44-year-old mother of three, who received food services and other assistance from YCP as a first-time visitor to a food pantry.

Early in 2010, YCP received the Hunger Prevention and Nutrition Assistance Program (HPNAP) 2009 Best Practice Award in January, and was honored by the New York State Department of Health in a ceremony in Albany, NY. The award recognized YCP’s commitment to providing its clients not only food, but the nutritional information and tools to live healthier lives. YCP has worked to advance nutrition in East Harlem, a community that confronts challenges such as obesity, diabetes, and limited access to produce, by offering its pantry clients and their families a series of cooking and nutrition education workshops.

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