

# The Sharing Locker

*will be open the third Saturday  
of each month from  
10:00-1:00 in Smith Hall*

Westminster Unitarian Church  
119 Kenyon Avenue  
East Greenwich, RI 02818



*Volunteers are always needed  
and welcome to help us on  
the Saturdays we are open.*

*Please call the office at  
**884-5933**  
for further information.*

# Sharing Locker Contributors

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Bradford Soap Works  
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St. Luke's Episcopal Church of EG  
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Trader Joe's  
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# The Sharing Locker *... a non-food distribution initiative*



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## Sharing Locker Mission:

*To support community members  
with dignity and without discrimina-  
tion by supplying non-food provisions,  
and to provide a vehicle for congrega-  
tional outreach and collaboration  
with the larger community.*

# Who Are We?

A group of social-minded volunteers from Westminster's Unitarian Church were inspired to set up a non-food pantry, the Sharing Locker, to provide essentials to families and individuals living in the East Greenwich area.

The Sharing Locker's primary goals are to assist people in meeting their basic needs for living, to increase their quality of life, and to fill the gap for those who are struggling. We work collaboratively with other service agencies in the area.

The Sharing Locker is dedicated to honoring the integrity and worth of all individuals and we do not discriminate based on people's needs.

You can make an immediate difference in the life of a family, as most of the items we provide are not covered by SNAP (formerly Food Stamps). Any donation of money or goods is greatly appreciated and will enable us to continue working to help ease the struggle some families are facing.

# History

The inspiration for our non-food pantry came from a Unitarian Universalist General Assembly presentation, given by members of the Sanford UU Church in Maine. In 2005, they established a non-food pantry, the Corner Cupboard, to provide assistance to needy families in the area.

In the spring of 2009 a committee from Westminster visited Sanford and observed the Corner Cupboard in operation. Their leaders shared information with us on the nuts and bolts of running a non-food pantry.

Start-up funds came from organizations listed on the back of this brochure and from our "share the plate" program at Westminster. Our hope is that other faith communities and area businesses will contribute money and goods to help support and sustain this initiative.

Today The Sharing Locker serves 200 families monthly. Support comes from financial and product donations. Our staff is 100% volunteer.

We strive to purchase items from local area merchants in our service area, which includes all communities in Kent and Washington counties.

# Items Needed

- Bandaid Strips
- Bar Soap
- Batteries (AAA, AA, C, D)
- Body Lotion
- Deodorant (men/women)
- Diapers
- Dry Pet Food (dog/cat)
- Dryer Sheets
- Liquid Dish Detergent (16 oz. or less)
- Maxi Pads
- Panty Liners
- Paper Towels
- Shampoo (16 oz. or less)
- Shaving Cream and Razors
- SOS pads
- Sponges
- Tampons
- Tissues
- Toilet Paper

**Your donations are tax deductible.**