

Newark Area Welfare Committee

2020 ANNUAL REPORT



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From the President

Dear NAWC Friends,

First and foremost, I would like to focus attention on those in Newark who have been most affected by the pandemic. With over 1000 dead in Delaware and more 100 dead in greater Newark, so many of our neighbors have experienced a great loss due to COVID-19.

And while we mourn all that has been lost, we should also have optimism, thanks to the daily acts of heroism we have witnessed: great efforts of healthcare workers, grocery store employees risking their well-being, teachers adapting to a new paradigm, parents making the transition to work & school from home, and many more everyday triumphs of perseverance.

Personally, I am honored for NAWC to have played its own part in helping the Newark community. Our volunteers have been flexible & creative in adapting to the new reality imposed by the pandemic and this report details how NAWC helped thousands of neighbors in 2020. I'm particularly proud of the work done to execute our Holiday Food Program via mail as well as our paying off over \$10,000 of lunch debt for Christina School District students.

Also in 2020, I succeeded Polly Sierer as NAWC president. Polly led NAWC for over a decade and this letter would be a book if I detailed her impact on NAWC and Newark. I am pleased that she will remain on the board, and she has been critical in making my transition to President a smooth one. To honor her years of service & leadership, NAWC established the "Polly Sierer Community Leader Award" to be given to an individual or group who has helped our neighbors by solving a community problem.

In closing, thank you for your support and for all that you do to make Newark a great place. Without you, NAWC could not have the impact that it does, and Newark would not be the place that it is.

Yours,



Stephen Mangat

President, Newark Area Welfare Committee

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Our Mission

Newark Area Welfare Committee (NAWC) is an all-volunteer organization and in cooperation with community partners, is committed to helping Newark-area families-in-crisis regain balance by providing them the necessities of life.

NAWC envisions a community where no one goes without food, shelter, heat and the other essentials of life.

We are committed to being a trusted resource that establishes and supports diverse programs to provide services to our neighbors in crisis. To meet this challenge, we strive to extend our reach and effectiveness through new initiatives.

COVID-19 Response

NAWC established a COVID Relief Fund in early 2020 to help provide support to Newark-area individuals, children and families who were disproportionately impacted by COVID-19 and the economic consequences of this outbreak. NAWC COVID-19 funding helped offset temporary housing costs for those displaced from their homes, bought groceries, and provided rent and utility assistance.

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Board of Directors

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President

Lyn Henshaw

Vice President

Joe Brady

Treasurer

Jean Hedrich

Secretary

Directors-at-Large

Alan Brown

Katie Hughes

Tammy Sharp

Polly Sierer

Past President

Debi Thomas

Dalva Washington

Committee Chairs

Lyn Henshaw

Awards

Joe Brady

Budget & Finance

Debi Thomas

Emergency Assistance

Linda Debski

Food Cupboard

Tammy Sharp

Holiday Food Program

Lyn Henshaw

Marketing & Fundraising

Katie Hughes

Outreach

Alan Brown

Shoe Program

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You made this possible in 2020.....



NAWC named one of the "[20 people and groups in Newark who made 2020 a little less terrible](#)" by the Newark Post.



Together with a \$10,000 gift from the Newark New Century Club, a \$10,000 grant from the ACME Foundation and \$5,500 from the Handloff Family and National 5 & 10, your support raised more than **\$37,000** and helped almost **500** families [buy food this Christmas](#).



More than **\$10,000** of school lunch debt was paid off at several Christina District Schools.



We provided more than **\$38,000** in Emergency Assistance funding to **71** families in need.



The Food Cupboard distributed more than **\$11,000** in food to **131** families.



We purchased **135** pairs of shoes, valued at **\$4,200**, for 90 children and 45 adults.



NAWC funded **\$31,000** in Special Projects including support to Meals on Wheels and the Newark Police Athletic League.



More than **\$1,000** was spent to fund care closets and purchase school supplies for several schools in the Christina School District.

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Consolidated Treasurer's Report (Unaudited)

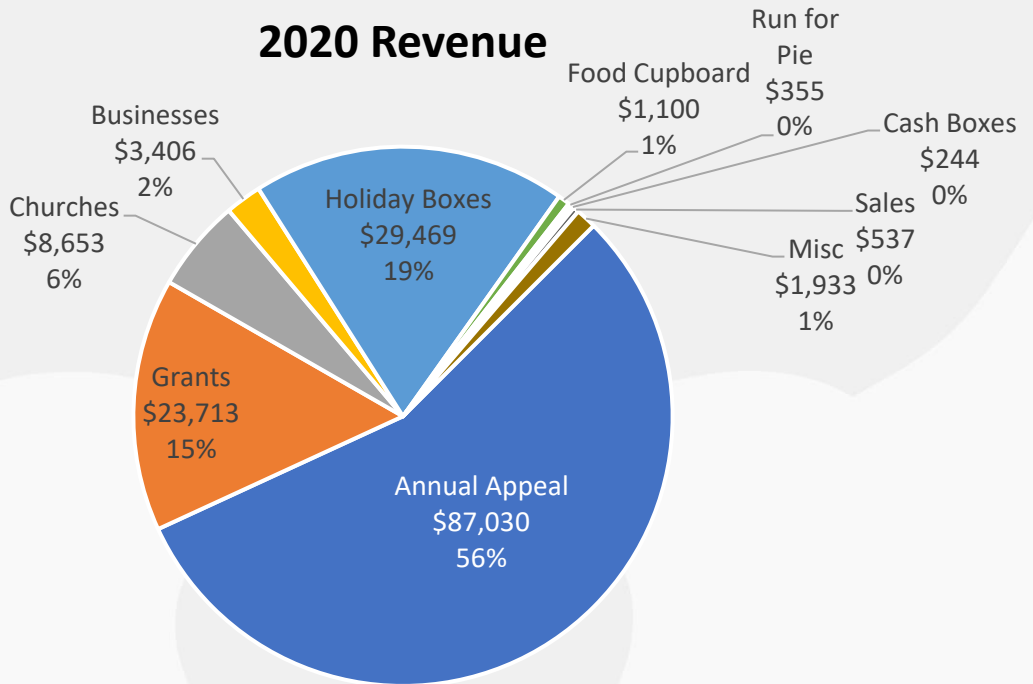
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Receipts					
Contributions	\$52,776	\$52,281	\$75,438	\$79,604	\$131,835
Grants	\$39,256	\$45,704	\$47,145	\$40,279	\$23,713*
Special Projects/Events	\$37,323	\$21,861	\$9,091	\$2,522	\$892
Total Revenue	\$129,355	\$119,846	\$131,674	\$122,405	\$156,440
Expenditures					
Program Services	\$100,196	\$91,320	\$125,735	\$120,889	\$132,297
Special Projects	\$6,713	\$1,208	\$1,677	\$2,672	\$0
Administrative Costs	\$4,227	\$4,089	\$5,232	\$3,288	\$4,180
Total Expenses	\$111,136	\$96,617	\$132,644	\$126,849	\$136,477
Net Cash	\$18,219	\$23,229	-\$970	-\$4,444	\$19,963
Cash at Beginning of Year	\$54,932	\$73,151	\$96,380	\$95,410	\$90,966
Cash at Year End	\$73,151	\$96,380	\$95,410	\$90,966	\$110,929

* 2020 NAWC Grants

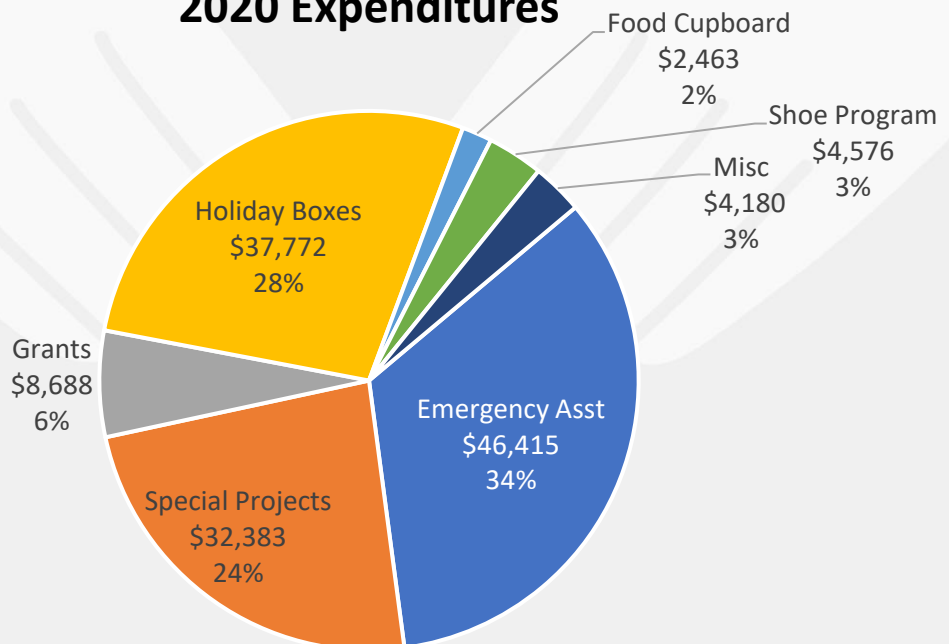
CHRISTMAS SHOP	\$2,000
CITY OF NEWARK	\$18,413
NEWARK CHARITABLE AND SOCIAL	\$800
NEW CASTLE COUNTY	\$2,500

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2020 Revenue



2020 Expenditures



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Emergency Assistance Program

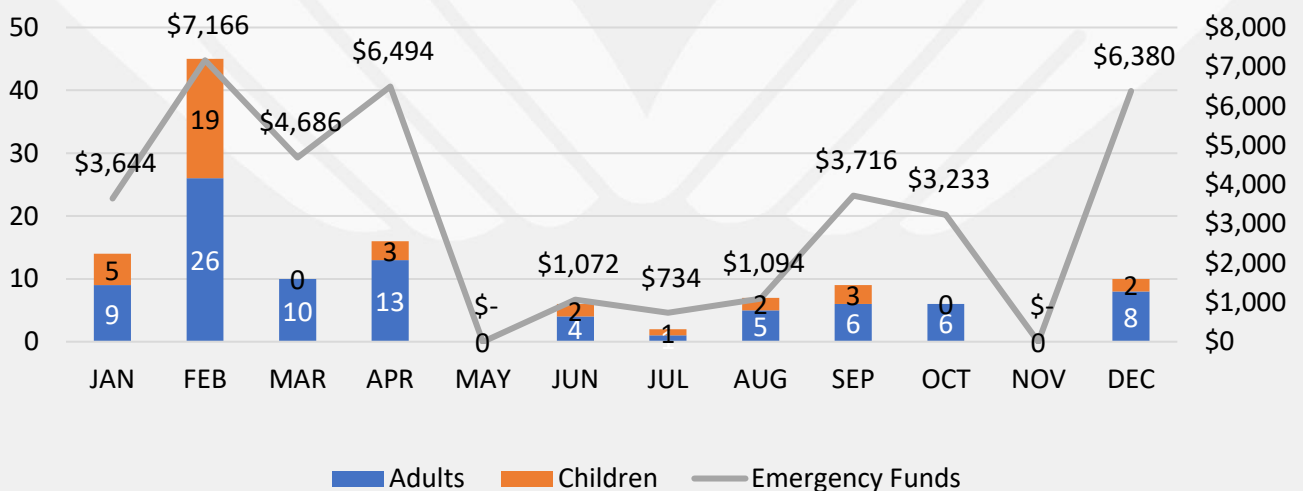
NAWC provides financial assistance to families or individuals in the Newark area who need immediate support. Most referrals for this program are provided by our friends at the Hudson State Service Center.

Our financial support provides neighbors in need with shelter and other critical needs, including utilities, rent, mortgage payment, prescription medicines, bedding and bus tickets.

In 2020, the Emergency Assistance Program:

- Served **71 Families**, comprising:
 - **37 Children**
 - **88 Adults**
 - **\$38,218** in Emergency Cash Funding
- Our donors and fund raisers again responded generously in 2020. We had sufficient funds to help all of those referred to NAWC for assistance.

2020 Emergency Assistance Program



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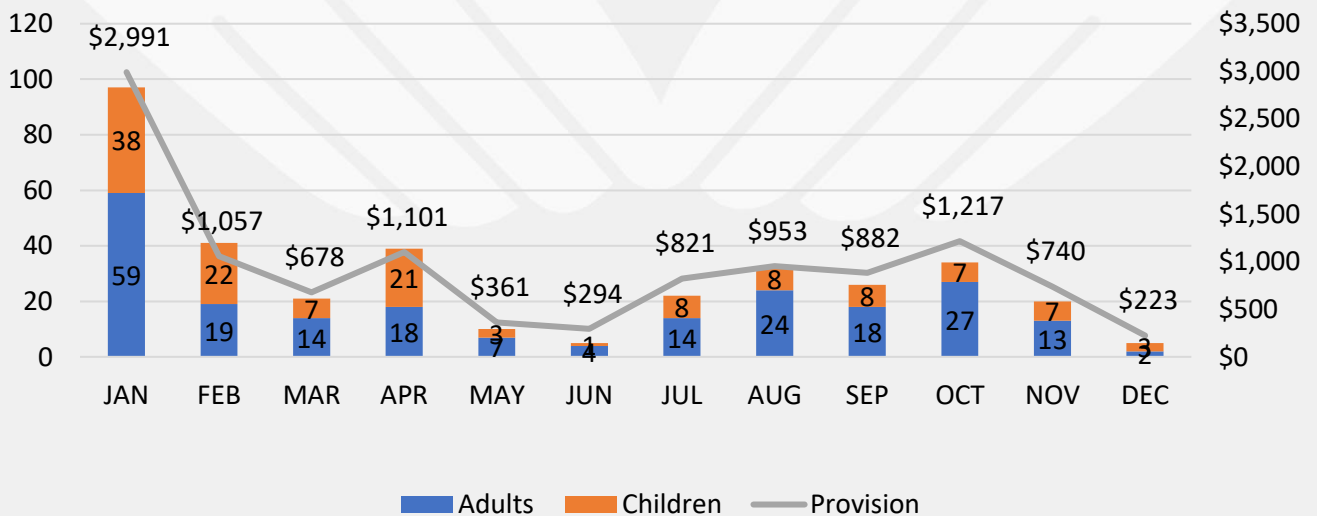
Food Cupboard

NAWC maintains a well-stocked food cupboard, located at the Newark United Methodist Church, providing people in need with meals for a week.

In FY2020, the Food Cupboard:

- Served **131 Families**, comprising:
 - **133 Children**
 - **219 Adults**
- The **value of food distributed was \$11,318** of which \$2,540 of food was purchased. The remainder were donations to the food cupboard.
- Demonstrated a **strong volunteer force** – more than 20 people served families in need each month.
- Designated as a **Delaware Healthy Pantry Partner**.

2020 Food Cupboard Program



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Holiday Food Box Program

The NAWC Holiday Food Box Program looked very different in 2020. Safeguards were implemented to protect the health and safety of volunteers, contributors and food recipients. In place of an in-person food collection and distribution event, Newark community members in-need received Acme gift cards. With the generous support of local organizations and individuals, local neighbors received Acme gift cards totaling **\$37,300**.

- **485 total families – 1,110 people**
 - **731 adults**
 - **379 children**
 - Recipient referrals provided by Hudson State Service Center, Newark Senior Center, Newark Housing Authority and Holy Angels Catholic Church Hispanic Ministries.

Contributors (not including individual donations):

Acme Markets Foundation

National 5 & 10

BNY Mellon Trust of DE

Newark Community Cooperative

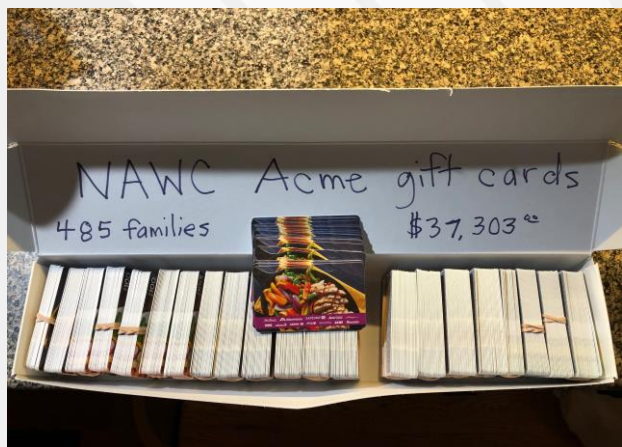
Cecil Vault and Memorial Company

Newark Morning Rotary

Head of Christiana Presbyterian Church

Newark New Century Club

Mallard Financial



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Shoe Program

NAWC's Shoe Program purchases new shoes for children and adults in need.

In 2020, the Shoe Program:

- Purchased **135 pairs of shoes** for
 - **90 children**
 - **45 Adults**
 - Valued at **\$4,200**
- Program is **fully funded by monetary donations.**
- The pandemic affected our ability to reach those in need, specifically children due to the school closures.
- In 2021, our goal is to engage more schools and additional agencies.

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Special Projects

The generosity of our donors made it possible to fund ~\$31,000 of Special Projects in 2020.

Christina School District (CSD)	\$11,500	Helped buy school supplies, stock “care closets” and fund school lunches within CSD schools. This includes paying off ~\$10,000 of in-arrears lunch program balances.
Newark Senior Center Meals on Wheels	\$10,000	Provided meals to senior citizens, allowing them to “age in place” rather than moving to assisted living facilities.
Police Athletic League (PAL) Building Fund	\$6,200	Newark FOP #4 PAL chapter is helping to foster a relationship with the community and reduce juvenile crime with the long-term goal is to build a PAL community center.
Newark NAACP	\$2,000	Annual Freedom Fund to honor community leaders and student activists.
Support for Needy Families	\$1,500	Additional aid to local families in-need.