



Williams Recovery of All Perishable Surplus (WRAPS) 2018-19

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Thanks to a record number of volunteers, WRAPS nearly doubled the number of meals we delivered to our community partners in North Adams this academic year. WRAPS also hosted several fundraisers and other activities. Thank you to all past, present, and future volunteers!

521 volunteer hours

3,214 meals

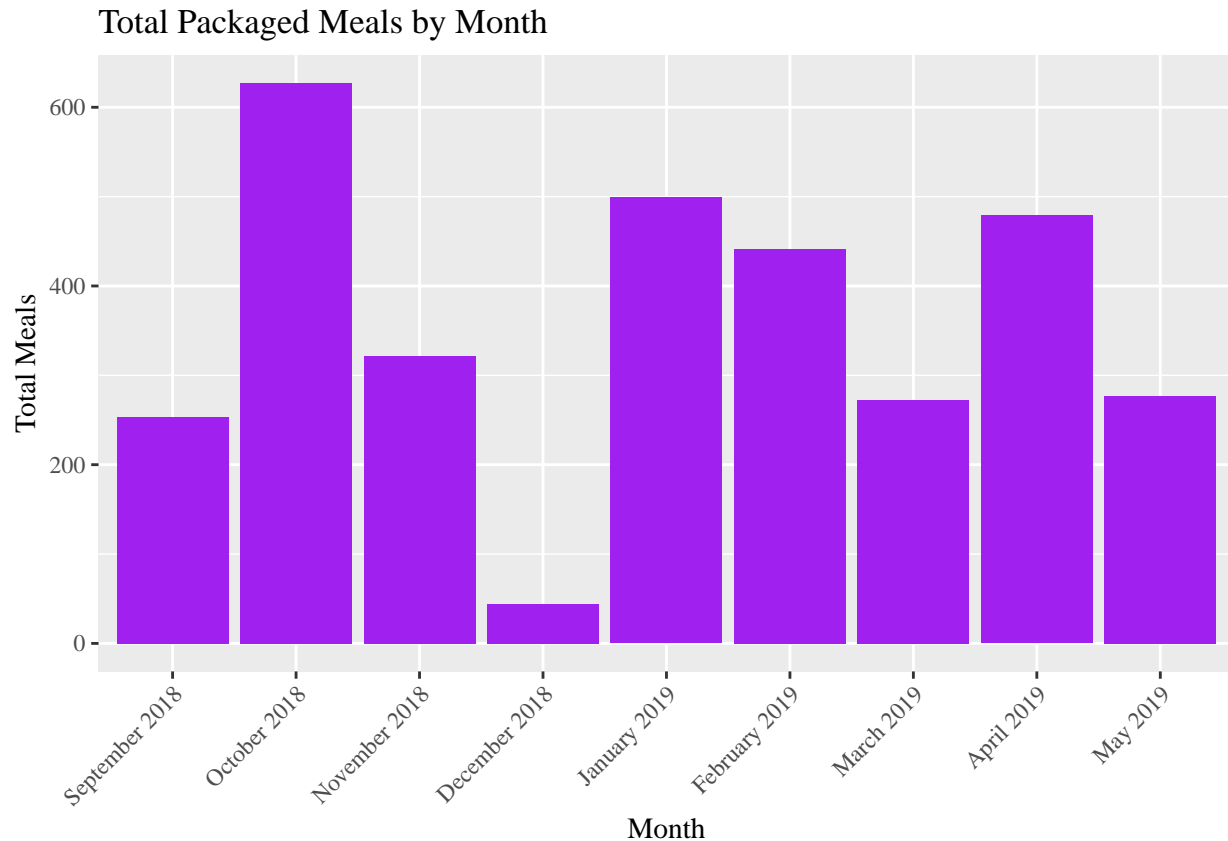
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Highlights from the school year

- At the beginning of fall semester, Josh and Katrina joined the leadership team.
- In January, Josh and Katrina worked with dining services to study for the ServSafe exam. Josh and Katrina are now ServSafe certified.
- In February, we raised \$745 in swipe donations to benefit the Berkshire Food Project in North Adams.
- Later in February, the Berkshire branch of the YMCA awarded WRAPS a Community Outreach award at its annual meeting.
- In April, Josh, Katrina, Marco, and Taylor had the opportunity to attend the Campus Kitchen Pop-Up event at Merrimac College.
- In May, we packaged a one-day record of 188 meals. We also had a record number of volunteers.
- During finals, we collected money for the Berkshire Food Project and dry goods for the Friendship Center Food Pantry.
- We got hats!

Data from the 2018-19 academic year

- This year, we packaged and delivered 3,214 meals and recovered 5,061 pounds of food waste.
- We delivered 1,736 meals to Mohawk Forest, 245 meals to Roots Teen Center, and 1,233 meals to the YMCA.
- We had a 92% increase in meals compared to the 2017-18 school year!



Looking forward

- We will continue (limited) operations on campus over the summer.
- Next year, we will partner with the North Adams Public Schools and the Brayton After School Tutoring Program to create snack packs with the goal of reducing food insecurity during school holidays and long weekends.
- Next fall, we will look for new opportunities to recover food from stores in North Adams and/or Pittsfield
- We look forward to working with Temesgen Araya as the new Director of Dining Services.