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Studying the Effects of the Pandemic

Looking at Food Rescues in Broome County



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BACKGROUND:

Food insecurity has increased drastically in New York, coinciding with the beginning stages of the pandemic. Looking at one particular food rescue in Broome County it has undergone both small and drastic changes to meet new needs and pandemic regulations.

METHODS

1. Conducted interviews and collected a survey from one food resume in Broome County
2. Collected data from scholarly journals and other online sources.

RESULTS

- Increase in hours worked
 - Increase in types of food stored
 - Increase in funding from partner organizations and individuals
 - Decrease in food donations from individual community members
- Based on the survey and the interviews



Reliance on food rescues have increased immensely, causing changes in funding, work hours, and donations.

1. Increased need coincides with economic recessions.



Before March 2020	CATEGORIES	HOURS PER WEEK
	1. Food recovery	76-100
	2. Food distribution	41-75
	3. Food sorting/repacking	21-40
	4. Purchasing	0-10
	5. Referring clients to agencies	41-75
After March 2020		
	1. Food recovery	100+
	2. Food distribution	76-100
	3. Food sorting/repacking	11-20
	4. Purchasing	11-20
	5. Referring clients to agencies	41-75

From the Survey Collected

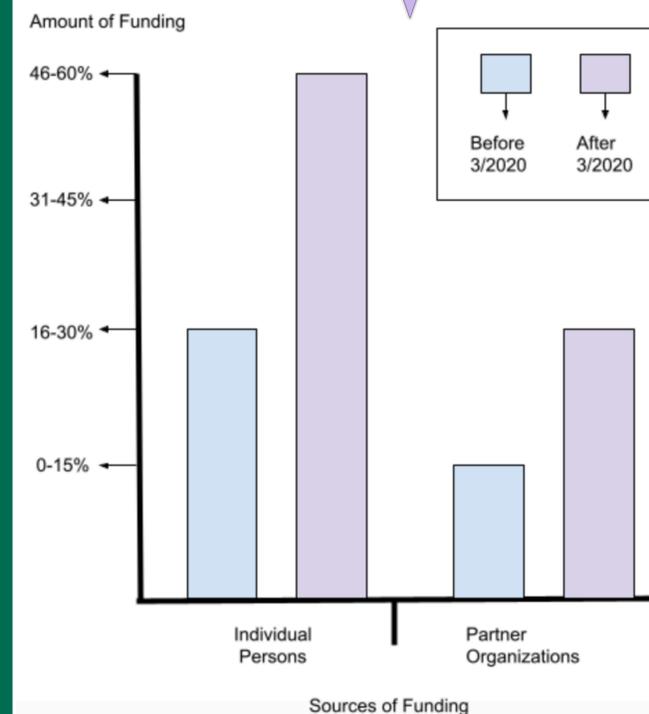
CONCLUSION

- The pandemic has caused food rescues in Broome County to make changes in their normal operations. The community's support of the organization also has a large role in determining it's success.

STUDY LIMITS

- Some organizations did not choose to participate in the survey or interviews

From March 2020 to Now Survey results: More monetary donations have been made by both individuals and partner organizations. Other sources of funding haven't changed.



REFERENCES

