

Emergency Food Strategic Planning Committee

Delegation to Emergency and Community
Services Committee March 25, 2013

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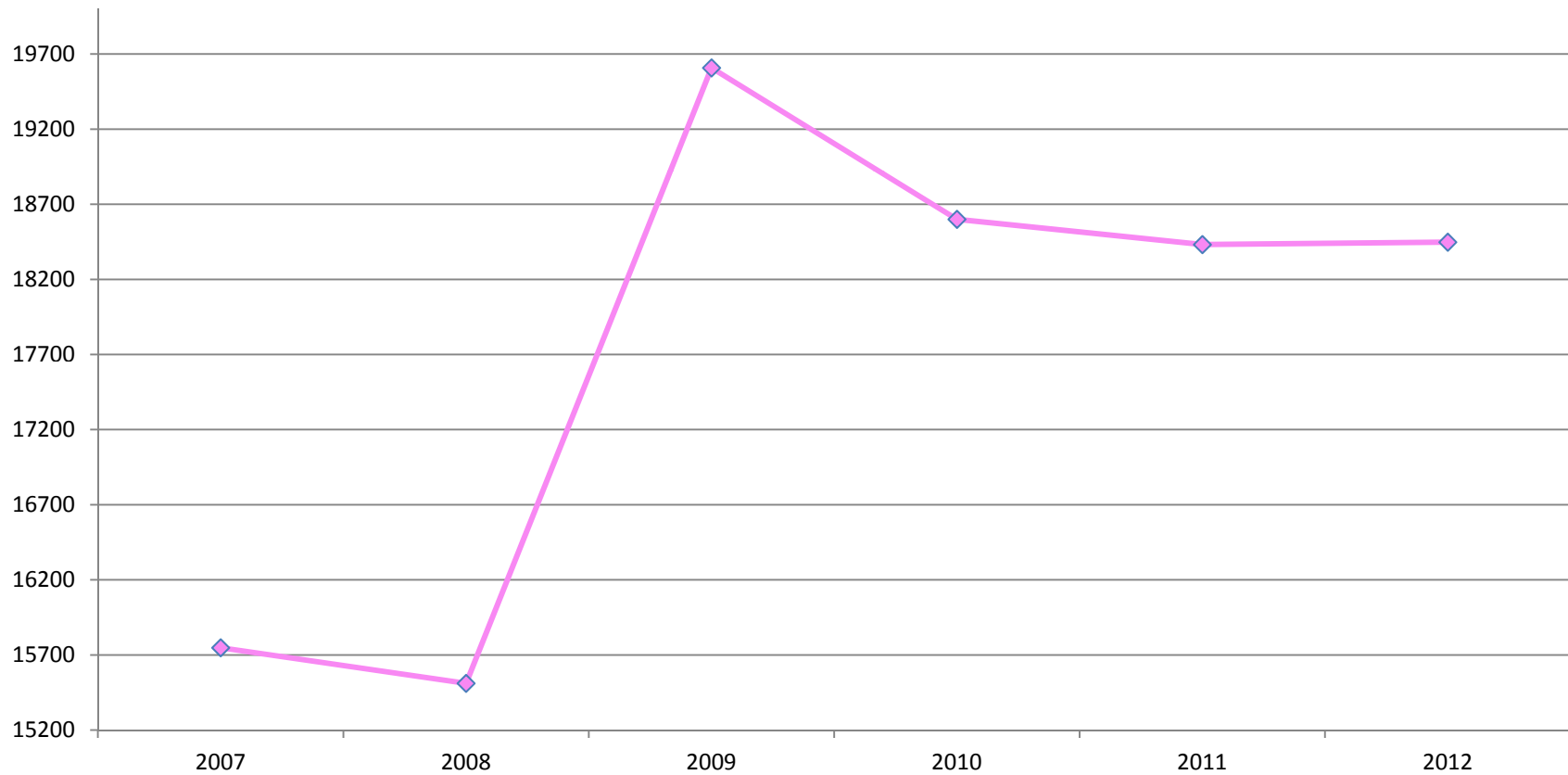
Who we are...

Member Agency/Organization	Contact
Good Shepherd Centre (Co-Chair)	Carmen Saliccioli
Good Shepherd Centre	Christina Ferguson
Hamilton Food Share	Joanne Santucci
Living Rock Ministries	Randy Neudorf
Mission Services	Victor Cyr
Neighbour to Neighbour	Denise Arkell
Salvation Army - Dundas Community & Family Services	Shirley Molloy
Salvation Army -Hamilton Community & Family Services	Major Bill King
St. Matthew's House (Two Locations)	Jeremy Young
Welcome Inn	Carly Gaylor
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Member Agency/Organization	Contact
City of Hamilton - Housing Services Division (Co-Chair)	Amanda DiFalco
City of Hamilton – Housing Services Division	Greg Witt
City of Hamilton – Housing Services Division	Michele Attard
City of Hamilton – Housing Services Division	John Filice
Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction	Tom Cooper
City of Hamilton - Ontario Works	Sue Mastracci
City of Hamilton - Public Health	Donna Weldon

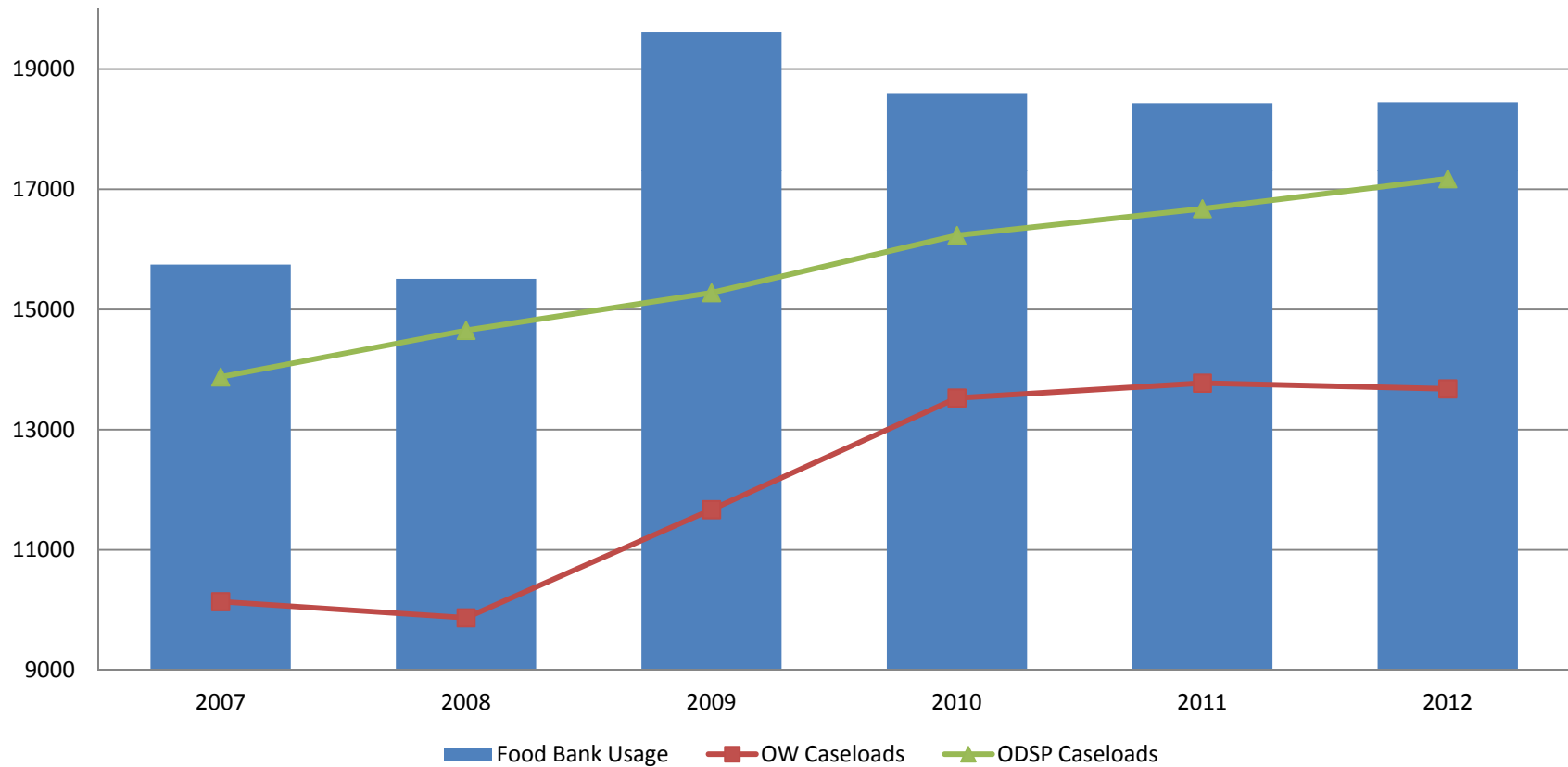
Some Challenges

City of Hamilton: Food Bank Usage (March, 07-12)



Some Challenges

Food Bank Usage v. OW & ODSP Caseloads (March, 07-12)



Some Successes

Continue to Develop as a System

- The EFS has improved the quantity and quality of food for vulnerable citizens

Increased Co-operation and Collaboration

- We look forward to co-operating with the City on an ongoing basis; specifically with City-Led initiatives like the Food Strategy currently being implemented through Public Health

... what our successes mean to vulnerable citizens

- As a system we served 26,107 community meals, assisted 7,900 households and distributed 369,000 lbs. of emergency groceries to over 18,000 people in need during the month of March 2012.
- # of 2012 Christmas Hampers: 11,900 for more than 32,700 people, Approx. 40% of those were children

"Myself and my children had a great Christmas thanks to the staff here... If it wasn't for this program I'm not sure what I would have done" – Christmas Hamper Recipient (2012)

Conclusion

- We've had many successes despite the challenges presented to the Emergency Food System
- We want to recognize the financial contributions from the City of Hamilton to assist with pressures during the summer months and the Christmas Hamper Program.