



**SAINTS' BREW**

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# 2020 SAINTS' BREW ACTIVITIES

## 2020 MEAL SERVICE

| MONTH        | MEALS SERVED  |
|--------------|---------------|
| JANUARY      | 2,163         |
| FEBRUARY     | 1,857         |
| MARCH        | 1,682         |
| APRIL        | 1,384         |
| MAY          | 1,239         |
| JUNE         | 1,376         |
| JULY         | 1,387         |
| AUGUST       | 1,248         |
| SEPTEMBER    | 1,462         |
| OCTOBER      | 1,075         |
| NOVEMBER     | 1,260         |
| DECEMBER     | 1,253         |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>17,386</b> |

- Average of 1,448 meals per month
- Average of 75 meals per day
- Comparison to 2019: In 2019 Saints' Brew served 22,185 meals, which means Saints' Brew served 4,799 less meals in 2020 compared to 2019. The average meal per day also decreased from 88 in 2019 to 75 in 2020, which is a decrease of 14.8%
- This decrease is directly correlated to the COVID-19 pandemic. Many of our older guests who live in the area stopped coming to Saints' Brew once the pandemic became serious and the stay-at-home order began. Saints' Brew began serving 'to-go,' on March 19, 2020 and experienced a decrease in numbers then. Also, many of the guests who regularly attend began to stay home due to the "to-go" model. They missed the social community aspect of Saints' Brew sit down breakfast service. During 2020 Saints' Brew was only required to close once due to COVID. Saints' Brew closed for a 10 day quarantine in October 2020 due to COVID-19 exposure amongst volunteers.

- 3 year comparison of total meals served.

| Year | Total  | % of increase/decrease |
|------|--------|------------------------|
| 2018 | 19,145 |                        |
| 2019 | 22,185 | 15.9% increase         |
| 2020 | 17,386 | 21.6% decrease         |

## VOLUNTEER REPORT

| Month        | Number of Volunteers |
|--------------|----------------------|
| January      | 181                  |
| February     | 137                  |
| March        | 135                  |
| April        | 99                   |
| May          | 101                  |
| June         | 132                  |
| July         | 155                  |
| August       | 107                  |
| September    | 89                   |
| October      | 68                   |
| November     | 102                  |
| December     | 107                  |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>1,413</b>         |

**Total number of volunteer hours: 4,239.** Each volunteer typically volunteers 3 hours each time they volunteer at Saints’ Brew, either from 6am-9am or 6:30-9:30am.

**Volunteer NEMS:** Saints’ Brew is a member agency of Volunteer NEMS, which is a special project of United Way of NEMS. Through this platform interested volunteers can find local causes and sign-up to volunteer. Saints’ Brew’s profile can be found at:

[https://volunteernems.galaxydigital.com/agency/detail/?agency\\_id=96222](https://volunteernems.galaxydigital.com/agency/detail/?agency_id=96222)

Due to COVID-19, Saints' Brew had to implement substantial changes to the service model. The breakfast service was changed from an in-person breakfast to a to-go service, which create a few very interesting dilemmas.

- Service Model: In order to switch from an in-person service to a to-go service, Saints' Brew had to reorganize the entire process of prepping, cooking, serving, and cleaning. If you will reference the photo on the front page of this report, you will notice the new "to-go window." From this doorway Saints' Brew serves the 75 average meals every weekday. The menu had to adapt to the to-go setting as well. The current menu is unlimited coffee and milk, as well as 1 hot item such as a sausage biscuit, 1 pastry item such as a danish or muffin, 1 fresh fruit such as a banana or orange, and 1 fruit cup such as applesauce, with an additional hashbrown served on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Each hot item is cooked/baked fresh and wrapped to-go by Saints' Brew volunteers and other items are packaged individually and assembled in the breakfast bag each morning. Individually wrapped items also includes the cream, sugar, and stir-sticks for the guests' morning coffee. The cost of changing to a to-go model has seen an increase in food and supply cost. Individually wrapped items are more expensive than the bulk food items Saints' Brew ordered before. Also serving all beverages to-go requires Styrofoam cups and lids which were not required during our in-person meals.
- Volunteers: During the COVID-19 pandemic Saints' Brew has also experienced a change in its volunteer force. Many of older volunteers are unable to volunteer due to the stay-home order and quarantine guidelines recommended by the CDC. Therefore, Saints' Brew has had to engage new volunteers to join the team which has been difficult at times.
- Personal Protective Equipment: Saints' Brew has had a face mask policy for all volunteers since the beginning of the pandemic and has also implemented a mask policy for all guests as well. Saints' Brew has been able to offer all volunteers and guests either cloth or paper face masks due to purchasing masks and donations by local community organizations and helpful citizens. Saints' Brew has also been able to provide hand sanitizer for guest use during the pandemic

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| <b>Beginning Balance (January 2020)</b>             | <b>\$53,948.57</b>  |
| <b>Current Balance (December 2020/January 2021)</b> | <b>\$82,223.57</b>  |
| <b>2020 Total Credits</b>                           | <b>\$71,151.50</b>  |
| <b>2020 Total Debits</b>                            | <b>\$42,876.50</b>  |
| <b>Difference between Debits and Credits</b>        | <b>+\$28,275.00</b> |

**2020 Grants:**

During 2020, Saints’ Brew had an increase in their annual United Way Grant from \$5,000 to \$10,000. It will also be a two-year granting process, so Saints’ Brew will also receive \$10,000 from United Way in annual funding in 2021. Also, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Saints’ Brew was eligible for multiple COVID specific grants.

| <b>Grant</b>                       | <b>Annual</b> | <b>COVID-19</b> |
|------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| United Way                         | \$10,000      | \$10,000        |
| Emergency Food and Shelter         | \$3,600       | \$4696          |
| Tupelo-Lee County Hunger Coalition | \$5,000       | \$5,000         |

**Financial Comparisons to 2019:**

|  |   |   |                     |                          |
|--|---|---|---------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Beginning Balance (January 2019)</b>              | <b>\$56,943.08</b>                                    | <b>Beginning Balance (January 2020)</b>             | <b>\$53,948.57</b>  | <b>-5.3% decrease</b>    |
| <b>Current Balance (December 2019/ January 2020)</b> | <b>\$53,948.57</b>                                    | <b>Current Balance (December 2020/January 2021)</b> | <b>\$82,223.57</b>  | <b>52.4% increase</b>    |
| <b>2019 Total Credits</b>                            | <b>\$33,490.64</b>                                    | <b>2020 Total Credits</b>                           | <b>\$71,151.50</b>  | <b>28% increase</b>      |
| <b>2019 Total Debits</b>                             | <b>\$36,485.15</b>                                    | <b>2020 Total Debits</b>                            | <b>\$42,876.50</b>  | <b>\$17.5 % increase</b> |
| <b>Difference between Debits and Credits</b>         | <b><span style="color: red;">(-\$2,994.51)</span></b> | <b>Difference between Debits and Credits</b>        | <b>+\$28,275.00</b> |                          |

This comparison highlights the increase cost that Saints' Brew experienced during 2020. 4,799 less meals were served, but cost compared to 2019 increased by 17.5%. Also, it highlights the grants Saints' Brew has been awarded and the fundraising efforts that have been accomplished. There was a 28% increase in funds coming into Saints' Brew compared to 2019. Also, notice that at the end of 2019 Saints' Brew debits were more than credits and technically ended the year in the red, but in 2020 Saints' Brew is very much in the black with money to roll-over to 2021.

## PARTNERS

- **Tupelo-Lee County Hunger Coalition:**
  - Saints' Brew Coordinator Hannah Maharrey is on the Board of Directors
- **City of Tupelo Homeless Task Force**
  - Saints' Brew Coordinator Hannah Maharrey is the Chairperson
- **Northeast MS Regional Homeless CoC Coalition**
  - Saint's Brew Coordinator Hannah Maharrey is the Director
- **Emergency Food and Shelter Grant Program**
  - Saints' Brew Coordinator Hannah Maharrey is on the Funding Board
- **City of Tupelo Community Outreach Committee**
  - Saints' Brew Coordinator Hannah Maharrey is a member of the committee
- **Extra Table**
- **Tupelo-Lee County Library**
- **Salvation Army – Tupelo**
- **Community Presentations and Speaking Engagements**
  - United Way Virtual Non-profit Fair
  - Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week – Virtual Awareness Session with Tupelo-Lee County Hunger Coalition
  - Virtual Saints' Brew Volunteer Interest Meeting with Volunteer NEMS
- **Community Food Donations:**
  - Tupelo Public School District
  - St. Luke Food Pantry
  - F.A.I.T.H Food Pantry
  - Talbot House Bakery
  - Tupelo-Lee County Hunger Coalition Gleaning Program

- Growing Healthy Waves
- Link Centre

## PROGRAMMING

Saints' Brew programming was most affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, as we are unable to have in-person programs. We were able to create opportunities to connect our guests to services and resources they need.

- **Referral Resource:** Other than being a food resource, Saints' Brew is most impactful in helping create change in our guests' lives by referring them to the resources they need most. Our volunteers are on hand to help answer any questions our guests might have. We have referred our guests to housing, education, employment, and healthcare resources just by listening to their needs and connecting them to the agencies that could meet that need. There are many guests that are housed, employed, or healthier today due to the referrals our volunteers make at Saints' Brew each morning.
- **Saints' Brew Christmas Dinner:** The All Saints' Neighborhood Life Committee hosted their annual Christmas meal for Saints' Brew guests. They also were able to gift each attendee with a new fleece hoodie.
- **Coat Drive with Knights of Columbus:** During the week of Christmas, Saints' Brew was able to hand out over 50 coats and sweaters to guests due to a coat drive the Knights of Columbus held.
- **Personal Documentation and Identification:** Saints' Brew is still continuing the joint program with The City of Tupelo Homeless Task Force. Saints' Brew guests who are experiencing homelessness are assisted with completing and submitting applications for personal documentation such as birth certificates, social security cards, and driver's license/ID. The funding used for birth certificates and IDs is a small donation from the City of Tupelo Homeless Task Force and other community organizations/citizens.
- **Coffee and Conversation, January and February 2020:** A joint program between the Tupelo Homeless Task Force, Mississippi United to End Homeless, MS Balance of State Continuum of Care, and Saints' Brew. Coffee and Conversation always includes coffee which Saints' Brew donates and donuts which other organizations take turns providing and is held at the Lee County Library.

- **Point-in-Time Count January 2020:** There is an annual census of the homeless population in the US, it is called the Point-In-Time Count. Saints' Brew is an official Point-In-Time or PIT Count site for Lee County. On Tuesday, January 29th, members of the Tupelo Homeless Task Force including the Family Resource Center, Mississippi United to End Homelessness, and the Mayor's office met and implemented the homeless survey at Saints' Brew along with other areas in Tupelo. This data will be used to track trends within homelessness in Mississippi. It will also help determine the grant funding that homelessness response agencies will receive in the future.
- **Northeast MS Project Connect, January 2020:** A resource fair organized by the Tupelo Homeless Task Force and the Mississippi Balance of State Continuum of Care Homeless Coalition, which is the rural state-wide homeless coalition. Saints' Brew is a member of both the task force and the state coalition. Project Connect was hosted in the Parish Hall of All Saints' and Monday's Saints' Brew crew were generous enough to stay later and help transition between Saints' Brew and Project Connect. Project Connect is a large resource fair with over 20 service providers present to help connect attendees to employment, education, housing, legal advice, mental health resources, etc. We also served lunch during the Project Connect. The Salvation Army was closed so all the individuals who usually eat at Salvation Army came to All Saints' for lunch, which was donated by Hope Church.
- **Food Recovery Programming**
  - Extra Table
  - Tupelo Public School District
  - Growing Healthy Waves
  - Tupelo-Lee County Hunger Coalition
- **Stone Soup Ministries:** This ministry is responsible for providing a community meal on Saturdays when the The Salvation Army is closed. Saints' Brew was able to help serve 3 Saturdays in 2020 due to food donations by the community.

## MEDIA COVERAGE

- Northeast Mississippi Daily Journal
  - Advocates continue supporting homeless populations amid COVID-19 crisis



[https://www.djournal.com/news/advocates-continue-supporting-homeless-populations-amid-covid-19-crisis/article\\_faf9c11d-97bb-5e73-986b-da46e09fd736.html](https://www.djournal.com/news/advocates-continue-supporting-homeless-populations-amid-covid-19-crisis/article_faf9c11d-97bb-5e73-986b-da46e09fd736.html)

- “OUR OPINION: Help support the area through local community affiliate”  
[https://www.djournal.com/opinion/our-opinion-help-support-the-area-through-local-community-affiliate/article\\_8810adab-98b7-5e71-a1ee-327e4d727582.html](https://www.djournal.com/opinion/our-opinion-help-support-the-area-through-local-community-affiliate/article_8810adab-98b7-5e71-a1ee-327e4d727582.html)
- “OUR OPINION: In the midst of COVID-19, we are finding ways to help one another”  
[https://www.djournal.com/opinion/our-opinion-in-the-midst-of-covid-19-we-are-finding-ways-to-help-one/article\\_50cfa9bf-dca1-5ab5-a426-74872d459e74.html](https://www.djournal.com/opinion/our-opinion-in-the-midst-of-covid-19-we-are-finding-ways-to-help-one/article_50cfa9bf-dca1-5ab5-a426-74872d459e74.html)
- Create and United Way Covid-19 Support Fund:
  - [https://www.djournal.com/news/covid-19-support-fund-surpasses-320-000-contributions/article\\_93ae6654-69ea-5eee-95e4-cfd6be5354e0.html](https://www.djournal.com/news/covid-19-support-fund-surpasses-320-000-contributions/article_93ae6654-69ea-5eee-95e4-cfd6be5354e0.html)
  - [https://www.djournal.com/news/covid-19-support-fund-continues-supporting-region/article\\_22752886-3815-51f9-9888-8d8096a09313.html](https://www.djournal.com/news/covid-19-support-fund-continues-supporting-region/article_22752886-3815-51f9-9888-8d8096a09313.html)
  - [https://www.djournal.com/new-albany/opinion/editorials/united-way-says-thank-you-for-support/article\\_0de887d4-8d3b-5cd6-a128-5d9caa67ee2a.html](https://www.djournal.com/new-albany/opinion/editorials/united-way-says-thank-you-for-support/article_0de887d4-8d3b-5cd6-a128-5d9caa67ee2a.html)
- “Here's How You Can Volunteer During Covid-19”  
[https://www.djournal.com/news/heres-how-you-can-volunteer-during-covid-19/article\\_e7572672-b44c-51d9-80fc-56fd9e3fa2e8.html](https://www.djournal.com/news/heres-how-you-can-volunteer-during-covid-19/article_e7572672-b44c-51d9-80fc-56fd9e3fa2e8.html)
- Tell Me Something Good Scholarship:  
Volunteer Aidan Wilson was nominated for and won the MS State Treasurer’s Tell Me Something Good Scholarship Program.  
[https://www.djournal.com/news/education/this-student-awarded-tell-me-something-good-scholarship/article\\_a59ec7e3-ef1d-5d79-90c2-82f38743cc30.html](https://www.djournal.com/news/education/this-student-awarded-tell-me-something-good-scholarship/article_a59ec7e3-ef1d-5d79-90c2-82f38743cc30.html)
- “JASON SHELTON: The most wonderful time of the year is also a time for” giving  
[https://www.djournal.com/opinion/columnists/jason-shelton-the-most-wonderful-time-of-the-year-is-also-a-time-for-giving/article\\_51b6245b-f575-543f-bea6-fb57ce93bdf6.html](https://www.djournal.com/opinion/columnists/jason-shelton-the-most-wonderful-time-of-the-year-is-also-a-time-for-giving/article_51b6245b-f575-543f-bea6-fb57ce93bdf6.html)
- Saints’ Brew Christmas Dinner
  - [https://www.djournal.com/news/all-saints-serves-christmas-to-go-meals/article\\_4c34e067-e0c0-5b8f-99b4-4b171ce3a3e9.html](https://www.djournal.com/news/all-saints-serves-christmas-to-go-meals/article_4c34e067-e0c0-5b8f-99b4-4b171ce3a3e9.html)

- [https://www.djournal.com/a-season-of-giving-local-nonprofits-share-christmastime-projects/article\\_1ea21abd-e572-5024-ac85-8a50030b0592.html](https://www.djournal.com/a-season-of-giving-local-nonprofits-share-christmastime-projects/article_1ea21abd-e572-5024-ac85-8a50030b0592.html)
  
- WCBI
  - “Tell Me Something Good” Scholarship:  
<https://www.wcbi.com/tupelo-teenager-gets-scholarship-from-state-treasurer-for-his-work-at-church-feeding-program/>
  
- United Way Partner Agency Tour:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DWXjybo9xGM>