

## Janice Bettencourt Healthcare Studies

### INTRODUCTION

**Mission:** The Salem Pantry works collaboratively to empower our diverse local and regional communities by ensuring the essential right to convenient and reliable access to healthy food (The Salem Pantry, n.d.).

- The Salem Pantry is a non-profit organization that works to bring free and reliable healthy food access to Salem and neighboring towns (The Salem Pantry, n.d.).
- During the COVID-19 pandemic, The Salem Pantry was able to supply food and necessities to over 2,200 Salem households and serve roughly 6,500 individuals (The Salem Pantry, n.d.).
- The mobile distribution locations and home deliveries have provided approximately 62,500 meals to the community since March 2020 (The Salem Pantry, n.d.).

### OBJECTIVES

- To find community non-profits organizations, social service, and healthcare facilities in Salem and surrounding areas that can partner with the pantry
- To research the various organizations to see if they align with our mission and goal
- To create an easy access tool that allows TSP employees to locate potential outreach partners
- To create a final community outreach list

### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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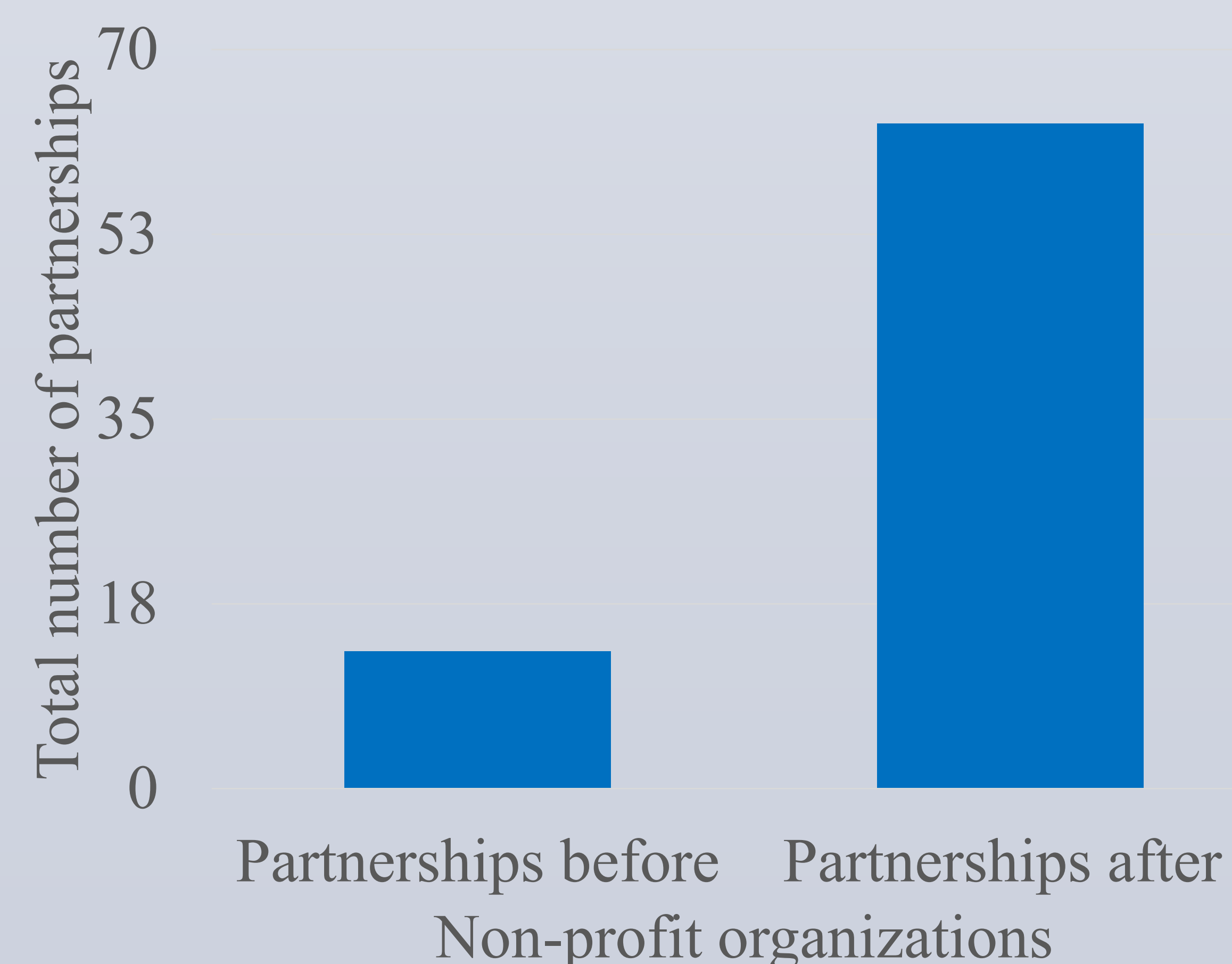
### MATERIALS & METHODS

- Created multiple drafts for site supervisor, Robyn Burns, to review and provide feedback
- Used Excel to organize the non-profit organizations researched
- Created an updated spring schedule with our current hours and location to send out to the organizations
- Recorded the number of previous partnership and compared it with the number gained
- Sent out emails to the organization with information about the pantry and how their clients can sign up
- Constructed a bar graph to demonstrate growth

### RESULTS

- Total number of partnerships with non-profit organizations at the start of the project: **13**
- Total number of partnerships with non-profit organizations after the project: **63**
- Total number of partnership: **76**

Non-profit Organizations in Partnership  
with The Salem Pantry



### RELATED LITERATURE

- The Salem Pantry has created outreach within the community through partnerships that provides continuous resources to clients (Luca, 2021).
- The partnerships created offer more than just food to clients visiting The Salem pantry. Mass General Brigham, a partner of the pantry supplied guests with masks, hand sanitizer, and information about the COVID-19 vaccine (Luca, 2021).
- The pantry and its partnerships are working together to limit client decision of having to choose between paying rent or buying food (Luca, 2021).

### CONCLUSION

The Salem Pantry does a great job of supporting the community. In particular, this project demonstrated how working closely in the community can create a positive impact. These organizations share a common goal to improve the lives of individuals and their families. This project revealed the importance of partnerships. The organizations and the pantry can continue to work together to build a healthier community. This experience captured the importance of outreach and advocating.

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