



2018: A Year in Review

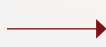


Highlights

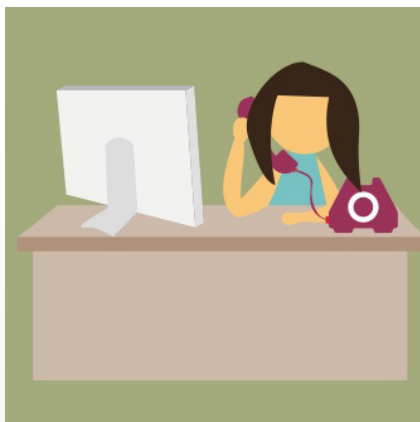
2519

individuals helped

411 NEW
volunteers



3257 total
volunteers



11,492
volunteer hours

32
chapters
in 5 states



34
community partner
organizations

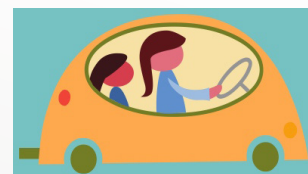
3201
tasks completed

76%
fulfillment rate
for service requests

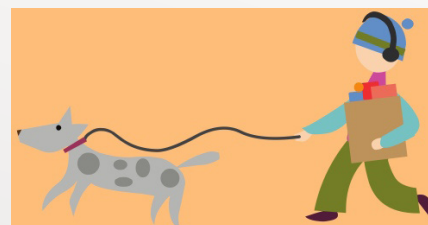
Needs Met

767 meals

504 rides



450 dog
walks



56 food, clothing,
& gift drives

22 light
housework

7 friendly visits

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32 Current Chapters



Massachusetts

Acton/Boxborough
Ashland
Bedford
Berkley (2019)
Billerica
Braintree
Cohasset*
Concord/Carlisle
Dedham*
Easton
Franklin
Lexington
Mansfield
Maynard
Medfield
Medway
Mendon
Natick
Needham
North Attleboro
Northborough/
Southborough
South Boston (2019)
Stow
Swampscott
Wayland
West Bridgewater
Winchendon*

Maine

Freeport

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West Essex

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* New in 2018

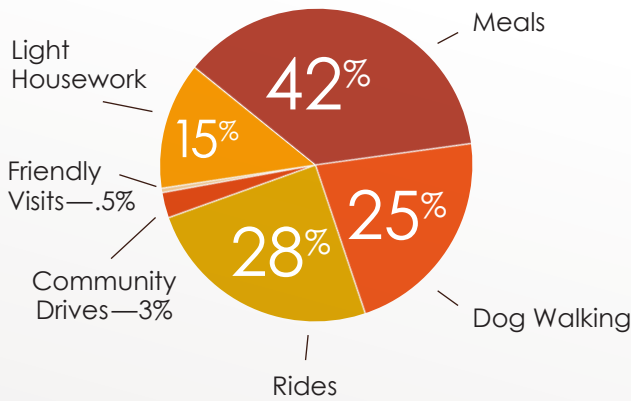
“Neighbor Brigade has been truly a blessing for us at a very challenging and difficult time! Dealing with serious injuries from an accident which impacted my mobility, while simultaneously receiving radiation treatments for cancer, has been beyond overwhelming. The Neighbor Brigade provided me with rides to appointments (as I was unable to drive) and several meals (that were ready when I returned home from my treatments) all from caring volunteers who were happy to assist me. Thank you all so much!”

— Natick, MA
Client

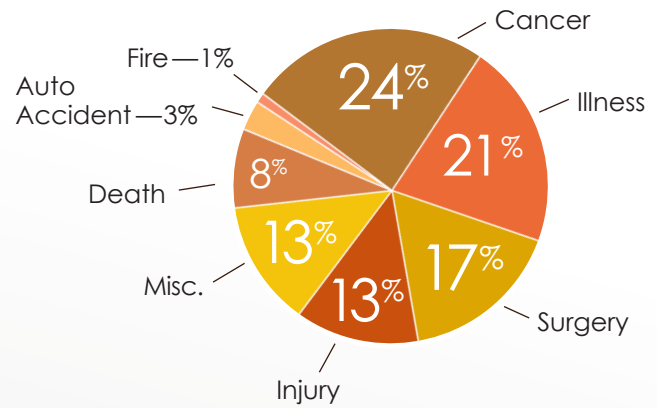
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Breakdown of Tasks



Crisis of Client



Organizations We Supported with Our Community Drives:

Acton Food Pantry
 Acton-Boxborough Housing Authority
 Bedford Food Pantry
 Bedford Green Veteran's Housing
 Bedford Rotary
 Billerica Elks
 Billerica Food Pantry
 Boys and Girls Club of Assabett Valley
 Braintree Food Pantry
 Caldwell Food Pantry
 Dignity Matters

Easton Food Pantry
 Emerson Hospital
 Household Goods (Acton)
 Mansfield Food Pantry
 Marge Crispin Center
 Maynard Public Schools
 Medfield Food Cupboard
 Medfield Youth Outreach
 Medway Food Pantry
 Medway House Emergency Family Shelter
 Medway Senior Center
 Mount Calvary Acton

Natick Service Council
 NJ Food Bank
 Open Table Maynard
 Operation American Soldier
 Paramenter Food Pantry
 Soldier's Angels
 SPUR
 St. Ann's Kitchen
 St. John's Food Kitchen in Newark
 WAITT Ashland
 Wayland Public Schools
 West Side Benevolent Circle

“ I feel that the help and interaction when diagnosed and then had surgery saved my life! ”

— Mendon, MA
 Client

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Stories from the Community

Volunteer Highlight Story



West Essex, NJ — “I volunteer because it’s a good thing to do. I enjoy the feeling of helping someone in need. I do not need recognition; the process is its own reward. Currently the West Essex Chapter has been walking a small dog for a woman who is blind. The small effort makes a big difference for her and her dog. Neighbor Brigade fits my schedule very well; I have been retired for four years.

Being able to see the current Brigade opportunities on-line helps me find the best day and time. I also volunteer one day a week at a local hospital in Radiology/CT. It’s very rewarding to bring comfort to a patient and family before, during and after their procedure.”

— Richard Conner

Client Highlight Story

Stow, MA — Pooja, a young mom and wife with two beautiful and active children, was diagnosed with stage 4 neuroendocrine cancer at the end of 2017. Pooja and her husband called Neighbor Brigade immediately upon her diagnosis and started planning ahead for the support they would soon need to help with meals, rides to medical appointments and rides for their children to their dance and martial arts classes. She soon had to



begin radiation treatments about 45 minutes away from her house which left her feeling weak often for many days at a time. Volunteers in Stow supported the family and were able to provide a sense of normalcy for their children who could continue their extracurricular activities during such a challenging time.

“That feeling, you know, when somebody helps you without any motive behind it, you feel so nice that still in this world there are people like this.”

— Pooja



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Pam's Run is a family-friendly 5k/10k run/walk in Wayland, Massachusetts, that supports Neighbor Brigade. It's dedicated to the memory and legacy of Pam Manikas Washek (pictured at left), our founder and tireless champion for families facing sudden crises. She founded Neighbor Brigade to help those in crisis manage both emergency and routine needs, with

free and immediate services provided by fellow community members. Pam's Run raises funds critical to Neighbor Brigade's continuing operations and ability to reach more individuals and families in need of support and assistance. The event includes: 5K and 10K chip-timed races, Kids' Fun Run, awards, games, food trucks, photo booth and live music. Pam's Run is held in October each year.



Pictured above: Team Kathy's Crew that helped bring in a record-breaking 747 runners to our 6th annual Pam's Run!

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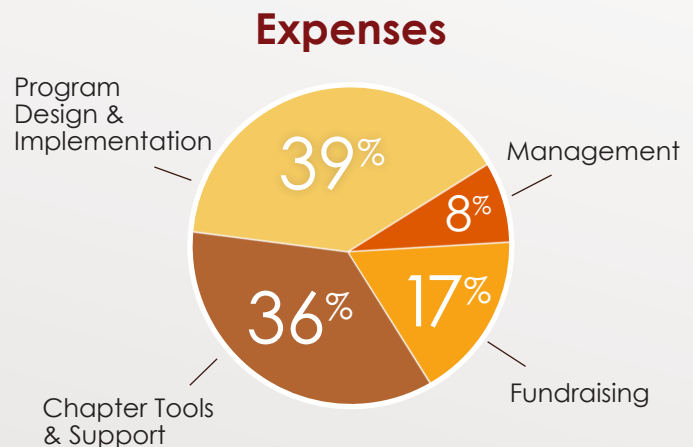
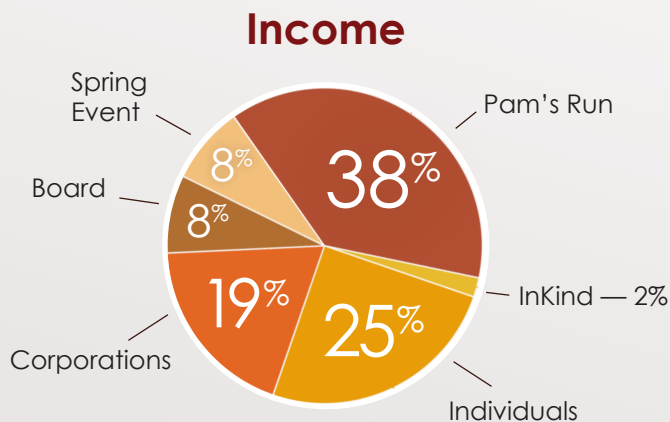
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How can you support Neighbor Brigade?

One hundred percent of Neighbor Brigade's budget comes from a variety of year-round fundraising efforts including individual donations, corporate sponsorships, grant funding, Pam's Run, our annual spring event and in-kind donations. Funds raised go towards vital operating expenses such as insurance to cover our volunteers, background checks, volunteer and client management software, multi-lingual brochures and coolers for our clients. There are so many ways that you can support Neighbor Brigade.

Here are ways you can help:

- Donate your time as a volunteer
- Ask your employer if they can do matching gifts
- Ask a local business if they'd like to be a chapter sponsor and receive great marketing benefits
- Run or walk in Pam's Run
- Make a monthly recurring donation
- Donate stock
- Shop Amazon Smile and choose Neighbor Brigade as the beneficiary
- Attend our Spring Event
- Start a fundraising campaign on social media



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