

Save the Date

13th Annual Run for JUMP
(Formerly the Run for the O.N.E.)
Saturday, September 25
Burlington Waterfront

Last year 60 participants ran or walked, raising a record \$10,000 for JUMP.

As the date approaches, look for more information on the JUMP website and in your mail. Questions or suggestions? Contact Event Coordinator Suzie Crews at slcrews1@msn.com.



JUMP Fabulous Fall Fundraiser

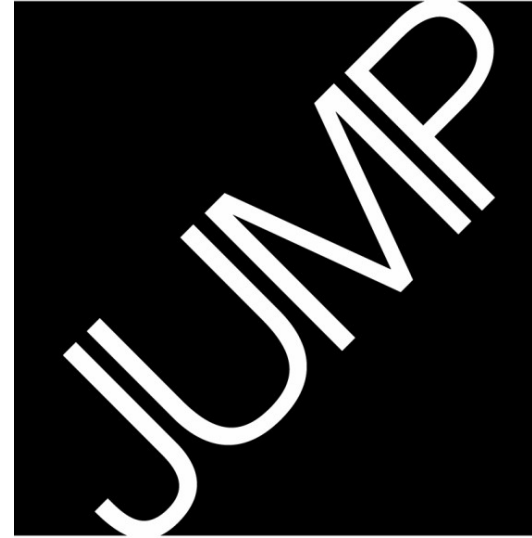
Details to Come

Following on the success of last year's Best Church Supper Ever!, JUMP will this year again host a fall fundraiser. Watch for details to come.

Champlain Valley CROP Walk

Sunday, October 17, 2010
First Congregational Church,
Burlington

Proceeds benefit JUMP and the Chittenden Emergency Food Shelf



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Faith in the Details

A message from the Board President

It was a dark and stormy night . . . actually it was a cold, drizzly February afternoon when Mark Gadue and I drove off from JUMP to do some vendor visits. JUMP vendors accept the vouchers that JUMP uses to provide client financial assistance.

At longtime vendor The Shopping Bag, Mark (who is wonderful at “business speak”) had a great conversation with the owner about JUMP, retaining customers, business in Burlington, and the state of the economy. We next visited Euro Market in Winooski, a store we were interested in adding as a JUMP vendor because it is located in an area with few JUMP vendors but with many new Americans who are JUMP clients. Mark’s clear explanation of the advantages of being a JUMP vendor—for JUMP, for his business, and for his customers—went a long way toward signing up the owner.

Each and every JUMP Board member tends to the unglamorous side of running a nonprofit: meetings, e-mails, reports, charts, bookkeeping, stuffing envelopes, serving food, and more. It is easy to forget that, without them, JUMP would not be open every weekday. In this “not exactly a depression,” when so many nonprofits are struggling, JUMP is meeting its fundraising goals and working hard not only to maintain but also to expand services. JUMP could not do this without its Board—I salute you all!

*Lynn Douglas (First Unitarian
Universalist Society, Burlington)
President of the JUMP Board*

Let Us Gather Together

A message from the Program Director

Every day at JUMP is basically the same: careful budgeting means that the doors are open and help is available every weekday morning; always at the welcome are coffee, snacks, and friendly volunteers. But each morning is also strikingly different, because no two people—and no two stories—are the same. I was reminded of this recently when a young client said that he had been up all night struggling with thoughts of suicide. We talked about the difficulties in his life. He ate some soup brought by a volunteer and spoke with a staffer at HowardCenter. JUMP food voucher in hand and professing his sincere gratitude, he left for Safe Harbor to discuss options for mental health care.

Stories like that one remind me just how important our work together is. Undergirding that work are JUMP’s 27 supporting communities of faith (counting recent addition Ohavi Zedek Synagogue). This is perhaps most visible when we gather—for example, at area interfaith Thanksgiving and ecumenical Good Friday services, at which the offerings are donated to JUMP. The assembly of lay and ordained leaders from many traditions is a powerful symbol of how much we can do when we do it together. JUMP also benefits from countless individual supporters and partnerships with other private agencies, public agencies, and businesses. For your part in making JUMP possible, the people of JUMP are grateful.

*The Rev. Keri Aubert
JUMP Program Director*

Supporting Congregations & Volunteers 2009: Thank You!

* JUMP Board Member
+ JUMP Committee Member
§ JUMP Weekday Volunteer

All Saints Episcopal Church, *South Burlington*

Ascension Lutheran Church, *South Burlington*
Beth Dreibelbis * + §

Cathedral Church of St. Paul, *Burlington*

The Ven. Catherine Cooke * +
Betsy Emerson § Carol Lutz + §
Gail Ernevad § Kathy Mihok + §
Mark Gadue * + Rick Robinson §

Charlotte Congregational Church, *Charlotte*

The Rev. Will Burhans * + Nancy Pricer + §

Christ Church Presbyterian, *Burlington*

Ron McGarvey Fenn Rider +
Ann Owen + § Elinore Standard
Lori Richland Valerie Visconti
Bronwyn Rider * + §

College Street Congregational Church, *Burlington*

Lee Butler + Ron Pynn * + §
The Rev. Debbie Ingram * + Barbara Stearns * + §
Anne Kreisel + § Claire Willis §

Community Lutheran Church, *South Burlington*

Dormition Greek Orthodox Church, *Burlington*

**Essex Center United Methodist Church,
*Essex Center***

Faith United Methodist Church, *South Burlington*

First Baptist Church, *Burlington*

Nancy Danforth * + Lisa Ann Oberbrunner §
The Rev. David O'Brien * +

First Congregational Church, *Burlington*

Mary Lou Adsit § Suzie Crews * +
Alice Barlow § Nancy Parker §
Brenda Black + § Lucy Samara * + §
The Rev. Richard Crocker § Bernice Wesseling §

First Congregational Church, *Essex Junction*

First Unitarian Universalist Society, *Burlington*

Rita Bortz § C.C. McKegney §
Lynn Douglas * + § Kathy Magil §
Woody Fulton + Mary Silverman §
Merl Grossmeyer + § Susie Taylor §
Barbara Heeter § Ellen Wollensack §
Ginger Hobbs * + §

First United Methodist Church, *Burlington*

Kathy Babits § Barbara Gail §
Sue Bowley § Pat Howard §
Dottie Burns § Becky Miller §
Ann Cahill § Lindy Millington §
Charlie Cahill § Barbara Nadeau §
Joyce Darling § Janet Powlus §
June Elmore § Margaret Welch * +

Grace United Methodist Church, *Essex Junction*

Malletts Bay Congregational Church, *Colchester*

Religious Society of Friends Meeting, *Burlington*

Shelburne United Methodist Church, *Shelburne*

Chris Kapsalis * + Jo Wright §
Chip Wright §

St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church, *Colchester*

St. James Episcopal Church, *Essex Junction*

Pat Hechmer § Shirley Ziemer + §

St. Joseph Co-Cathedral, *Burlington*

Trinity Episcopal Church, *Shelburne*

United Church of Milton, *Milton*

Unity Church of Vermont, *Essex Junction*

Jean Barber § Carol Chase §

Williston Federated Church, *Williston*

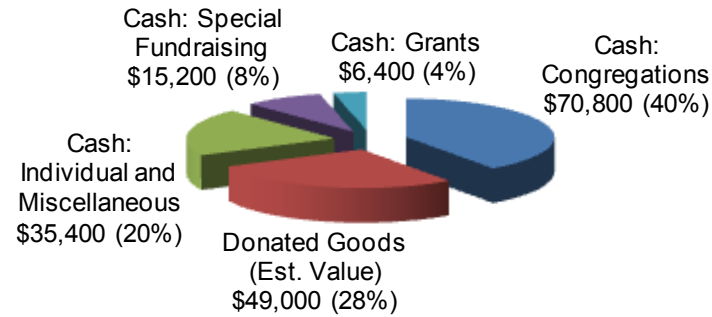
Carol Burbank § Charlie Wolf §
Joan O’Gorman *

Additional Volunteers

Stephanie Daudelin (Joseph’s House) *
Sara Willihnganz (Joseph’s House) *

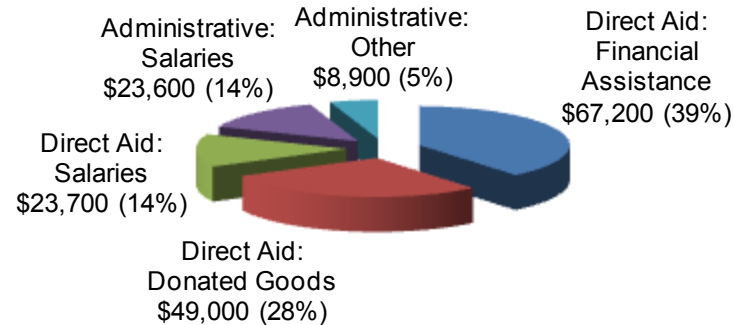
ON THE COVER: The recently upgraded entrance at First Congregational Church, Burlington, home of JUMP.

2009 Source of Support

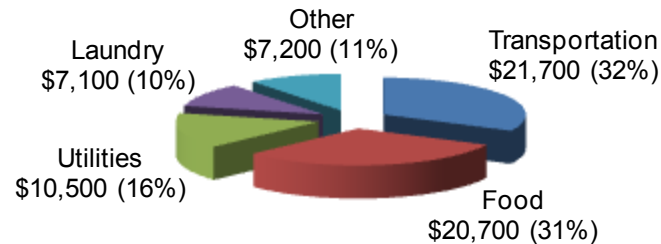


Note: Figures do not include the value for 2009 of donated volunteer time (estimated at \$50,000), office space and support (estimated at \$30,000), or accounting services (estimated at \$4,000).

2009 Use of Support



2009 Use of Financial Assistance



Note: "Other" includes medications, birth certificates, state identification cards, Opportunities Credit Union memberships, and smoking cessation program fees, among other benefits.

Profile: Business Owner and JUMP Board Member Mark Gadue

Go for a drive in Chittenden County, and pretty soon you'll come across a red-and-white "Gadue's Dry Cleaning" sign. With a name practically synonymous with dry cleaning in this area, Gadue's is a wonderfully successful small business. Longtime owner/operator Mark Gadue is grateful to be able to share this success with the community, and one way he does so is by supporting JUMP.

Mark stays busy keeping Gadue's from suffering the effects of the ongoing economic downturn. Still, Mark makes time to serve on the JUMP Board of Directors. He brings to JUMP not only financial acumen and management experience, but also incredible optimism and boundless energy.

Mark challenges his JUMP colleagues to expect success and to develop correspondingly demanding goals for the organization. Mark's commitment to JUMP stems from his life of faith: he and his wife Marjorie are active members of the Episcopal Cathedral Church of St. Paul in Burlington, a supporting congregation. As Mark puts it, "Private generosity is the key to a healthy society in times of economic distress like the ones we currently face. God demands a generous response from the fortunate to those in need. JUMP and organizations like JUMP are there to make that response on behalf of all."

Because he does not seek publicity for his charitable work, Mark was reluctant to be profiled for this newsletter, but his dedication to JUMP won out. This statement may help explain why.

JUMP is a remarkably well run and thrifty organization. Since many of its underlying costs are covered by in-kind donations, all other donations to the organization reach the people for whom the donation was intended. Not every organization can make that claim. People who come to JUMP are simply trying to hang on until they can get back on their feet. This is why the work is so important. It saves people from ultimate despair and from failure, and gives them the hope they need to live another day, to fight for a better life for themselves and their families.



Marjorie and Mark Gadue at last year's Run for JUMP

Gadue's Dry Cleaning began with Mark's parents Bob and Betty Gadue and will soon be in the hands of his daughter Aline Gadue Stirling. Their three generations of commitment to the community well illustrate the importance of small businesses in maintaining a healthy society and calling the successful to philanthropy. Mark's JUMP colleagues are grateful for his many contributions to JUMP.

*The Rev. Keri Aubert
JUMP Program Director*

Good Grant News

In recent months JUMP was the grateful recipient of grants from three organizations:

- **The Rotary Club of Charlotte-Shelburne** (\$200 received in December 2009)
- **Shelburne Charlotte Hinesburg Interfaith Projects (SCHIP)** (\$2,000 received in March 2010)
- **Merchants Bank Foundation** (\$500 received in March 2010)

These funds were provided to help cover general operating expenses associated with JUMP's drop-in emergency assistance center. JUMP offers many sincere thanks to the Rotary Club of Charlotte-Shelburne, SCHIP, and Merchants Bank Foundation.

New JUMP Vendors: Euro Market and JR's

JUMP is pleased to welcome its newest vendors, **Euro Market** and **JR's**. Euro Market is located on Malletts Bay Avenue in Winooski, near O'Brien Community Center. It features foods from all over Europe along with breads and pastries baked on-site. JR's is located in Burlington's Old North End, at the corner of North Street and Rose Street. It offers a wide variety of foods, including fresh fruit.

By agreeing to accept JUMP vouchers, Euro Market, JR's, and other JUMP vendors make an important commitment to assisting low-income residents of Chittenden County. Please support them with your business.

Ohavi Zedek Synagogue is Newest JUMP Congregation

In January 2010, Ohavi Zedek Synagogue in Burlington became JUMP's newest (and 27th) supporting congregation. Ohavi Zedek, Vermont's oldest and largest Jewish Congregation, was founded in 1885 and now embraces 400 families. Ohavi Zedek has long been a leading voice for social justice in our community, and JUMP is grateful for its support. Welcome to the JUMP fold, Ohavi Zedek!

Alternative Giving and Holiday Sales

During the 2009 holiday season, supporting congregations participated in the JUMP alternative giving and holiday sales program, raising several thousand dollars. A special "thank you" to all who helped, gave, and bought.



JUMP volunteer Rick Robinson cheerfully staffs the JUMP alternative giving and holiday sales table at St. Paul's Cathedral

JUMP 2009 Annual Report

If it takes a village to raise a child, it takes an entire community to sustain JUMP. To accomplish its mission, JUMP depends on its supporting congregations and their many members, on volunteers and vendors, on nonprofit partners and funders. Once a year, on behalf of JUMP and the people it seeks to serve, JUMP takes time out to offer thanks to the many people and organizations that make its work possible.

Special thanks to the following 2009 JUMP partners . . .

Vendors that accepted JUMP vouchers:

- City Market
- Gaslight Laundry
- Greer's Laundry
- Handy's Texaco (S. Winooski Ave.)
- Himalayan Market
- Jiffy Mart 33 (Riverside Ave.)
- King St. Laundry
- Lakeside Pharmacy
- Laundromat 99
- Mawuhi African Market
- North Winooski Avenue Laundromat
- Pearl Street Laundromat
- Price Chopper
- Shopping Bag
- Thai Phat Market

Nonprofit stores that provided free or reduced-price vouchers to JUMP clients:

- Every Monday Thrift Shop (First United Methodist Church, Burlington)
- Goodwill Industries of Northern New England
- The Possibility Shop (First Congregational Church, Burlington)
- ReSource

Organizations that awarded grants to JUMP:

- Shelburne Charlotte Hinesburg Interfaith Projects (SCHIP)
- The Episcopal Diocese of Vermont's J. Warren and Lois McClure Discipleship Endowment Discovery 2000, Diocesan Outreach Fund for Congregations (through the Episcopal Cathedral Church of St. Paul and St. James Episcopal Church)
- Presbytery of Northern New England (through Christ Church Presbyterian)
- The Women's Alliance of First Unitarian Universalist Society, Burlington
- The Rotary Club of Charlotte-Shelburne

Additional community partners:

- Cathedral Square Corporation, for donated accounting services
- Opportunities Credit Union, for accepting JUMP vouchers for new memberships
- Evelyn Sikorski, for accepting JUMP vouchers for tobacco cessation treatment

JUMP Food Report

When JUMP changed its food program to focus on rice and beans, the new choices were introduced with various “helps.” A “bags of beans basket” displays the bean varieties. A recipe box is a big hit with new and experienced bean cookers. Elinore Standard of Christ Church Presbyterian cooked recipes for clients to try, to overwhelming reactions of, “This is goood!”

By revising its food program, JUMP has taken a lead in the eating-well movement. JUMP clients are generally supportive of the changes and interested in talking about—and cooking—good food. This is great news, because rice and beans provide high nutritional value for dollars spent. Now, JUMP supporting congregations can provide more food for the money, and JUMP has food to offer every day it is open.



JUMP volunteer food program coordinator Ann Owen (Christ Church Presbyterian) with JUMP's “bags of beans basket”

Farewell to Staffer Bill Neil



With sadness JUMP has bidden farewell to staffer the Rev. Bill Neil. Formerly pastor of United Church of Hinesburg, Bill has relocated to Lee, Mass., where he serves as pastor of First Congregational Church (United Church of Christ). JUMP wishes Bill happiness and success in his new endeavors.

JUMP Into Books



Literacy begins at home, and JUMP tries to provide books for all children and adults who want them. To help, bring new or gently used books to JUMP or call Beth at 899-4557.

Youth Mix Soup for JUMP



JUMP has found that people who are hesitant to cook with dried beans are often enthusiastic about trying dry soup mixes. Mixes include dried beans and/or dried lentils, dried spices, and sometimes pasta or grains. JUMP is seeking youth groups willing to fund, assemble, and donate family-sized portions of dry soup mixes. This is a great opportunity for youth to learn about hunger, healthy eating, and the value of food. The youth of St. Paul's Cathedral and Ripple have already donated. Contact Keri at keri.jump@gmail.com.



New Ways to Give to JUMP

On-line donations. To donate to JUMP on-line, visit the JUMP website (www.jumpvt.org) and click on the JustGive box. You will go to the JustGive website, where you can schedule a one-time or recurring donation to JUMP that will be charged to your major credit card.

Electronic funds transfers. Beginning June 1, you can make a recurring donation to JUMP by authorizing direct transfers from your bank account to a JUMP account at Opportunities Credit Union. To get started, get a transfer authorization form directly from JUMP or off the JUMP website. Fill out the form and mail or bring it to Opportunities Credit Union.

For many of us, it is better to donate \$20 a month rather than \$240 all at once. Using one of these methods to schedule a recurring donation is a great way to spread your JUMP support throughout the year.

2010 Chittenden/Feinstein Challenge

The 2010 Chittenden/Feinstein Challenge was a great success. Final figures were not available at press time, but JUMP was hopeful of meeting this year's ambitious \$20,000 goal (\$10,000 in Challenge matching funds from local donors and \$10,000 from other sources). The Challenge's JUMP phonathon took place March 22-23, raising \$4,000. The Feinstein grant will be a percentage of total giving during March and April.



Best Church Supper Ever!

JUMP held the Best Church Supper Ever! on Saturday, November 7, 2009, at First United Methodist Church in downtown Burlington. JUMP's 26 supporting congregations provided the food, with many offering their “favorite” dishes. The menu included sauerkraut and brats, chicken pie, vegetarian lasagna, macaroni and cheese, baked beans, coleslaw, and a medley of fall vegetables.



The night was a great success, raising about \$4,000 to support JUMP's mission of helping our neighbors in need. It was fun and delicious, and many said they enjoyed sharing table fellowship with people from other congregations. Thanks to all who participated, cooked, ate, served, and supported this event.