
SOVA PROGRAM CENTER

Location of one of four food pantries, the Sova Program Center is located at 904 East California Street in Ontario. The building was the generous work of *Dick Frame* and *Mia Lynn Foundation*. The shelving and furnishings were made possible through the generosity of several foundations, such as the *Ahmanson Foundation*, the *Hedco Foundation*, the *Price Foundation*.



Services offered to no, very low and low income families and individuals at the Sova Program Center include:

- Emergency Food – 5 days of basic staple food for each member of your family.
- Utility Assistance – payment of one month of electric and/or gas bill (when funding is available).
- Rental Assistance – payment of one month of rental assistance (when funding is available).
- Motel Vouchers – payment of 3-5 days of motel for a family.
- Information and referral to other social service programs.
- Thanksgiving Food Drive – in collaboration with a group of local business people funds and food is collected to offer 600 families a traditional Thanksgiving Dinner.
- The Sova Program Center serves an average of 3,000 individuals a month, up from 1,800 in 2008.

Additional services are offered at the Sova Program Center through a collaboration with Catholic Charities:

- Immigration services
- Utility assistance
- Rental assistance

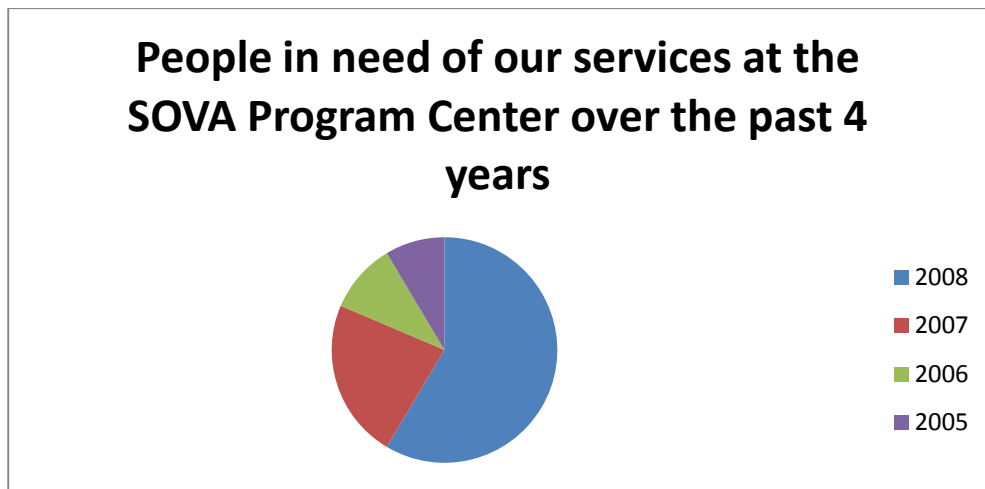
- Clothing
- Furniture

The services at the Sova Program Center are provided by several groups of volunteers, under the leadership of one staff member.

Service hours are Monday through Thursday, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm.

Individuals, faith communities, businesses and service groups conduct drives for food, hygiene items, books, school supplies, diapers, new socks and new underwear.

Volunteers are also needed to interview clients, assist in the food pantry and in the warehouse.



The Boy Scouts of America stocking the shelves at Sova



Sova refrigerator and freezer's being assembled