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Food Fund Is Lagging At Center

"The Food Fund," began last October in West End to provide food as emergency assistance to poor people, is lagging, according to a spokesman from the West End Neighborhood EOA Center. The fund is coordinated by the center.

At the peak of the effort to establish a food fund, 30 churches in the metropolitan area were participating in the program. Now, there are only three giving help.

The participation by churches consists of asking each member to bring one can of food to church the first Sunday of every month. Although all members did not take part, the 30 churches were providing enough food to meet emergencies.

At this time, people are being turned away. And other agencies which normally provide this kind of assistance are out of funds and unable to help.

The EOA spokesman said individuals or churches wanting to help should call Joe Flannagan, 523-1541, St. Vincent dePaul Society, 326 Ivy St. N.E. The Society collects the food, stores it and distributes it to centers where it is needed. The food can be taken by the Society on Ivy Street.