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Kevin Little of Dartmouth's Public Good Society visits food banks like this one in the parish hall of Christ Church to help link clients with other services that they need. He's helped about 29 people find jobs. (Staff)

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Along with food, some job tips

Agency worker links food bank clients with groups offering job, education aid

By **SHERRI BORDEN COLLEY**
Staff Reporter

DARTMOUTH — Four mornings a week, a casually dressed Kevin Little stands in line at an area food bank chatting with clients who are down on their luck — many of them are poor, mentally ill and living in isolation.

They're there to get food but Little is not

graduate in June... and I'm going to be there."

Halifax Humanities 101 is a five-year-old program that offers the writings of literary and philosophical masters, such as Descartes, Homer, Ralph Waldo Emerson and T.S. Eliot, to people living on low incomes. Local university professors volunteer their time to teach and students get their books for free.

variety of backgrounds in Dartmouth who have a passion for helping their neighbours.

Most of Little's clients are between 40 and 60 years old. Of a caseload of 195 people, Little has helped 29 get jobs through various employment centres, in turn decreasing their need for social assistance and food banks.

"Once you help a client that word gets out into the community," Little said. "So, often I get phone calls... from people who I have not met at a food bank but they are friends with somebody I've helped."

Each Monday morning, he phones as