

NOURISHING OUR NEIGHBORS

2023 annual report



**FOOD
BANK**



HELLO FRIENDS,

Together, with our hunger-relief network, ***we served more people in 2023 than any other year in our history.*** The reduction of pandemic-era

benefits combined with the increased costs caused by inflation was a burden for many in our community. Compared to 2022, we saw a 31% increase in the number of people visiting food programs in our network, and 30% had never visited a food pantry before.

Despite the challenges, it was an amazing year. Volunteers returned to pre-pandemic levels and our direct service programs — our onsite food pantry, mobile pantry and home delivery program — rose to the challenge and met people with love, kindness and nourishing food. We also launched our strategic plan with a focus on deepening relationships with our key stakeholders.

2023 was also marked by the expansion of the Main Campus in Akron. The project included increased capacity for food storage, an onsite food pantry and resource room to serve our neighbors, and a more welcoming and logistically-safe experience for our hunger-relief partners. Several years of capital planning, fundraising and building projects culminated with our entire infrastructure being rebuilt.

We are so very grateful for the generosity of our supporters and hunger-relief partners who make this work happen.

Together, we work toward our shared vision of a thriving community free of hunger. Because of you, this community has a strong food bank serving as a safety net for families facing hunger. With your faithful support, we can continue to provide hope and stability in this community for generations to come.



With Immense Gratitude,

Daniel R. Flowers

Daniel R. Flowers, President & CEO



PARTNERING TOGETHER TO MAKE AN IMPACT

27,198,152

meals provided



8,061,543

pounds of produce distributed

34,905,027

pounds distributed

15,617

children served monthly
through backpack programs

258,380

miles traveled by Foodbank
fleet to pick up/deliver food

19,781

food boxes delivered directly to seniors



YOUR SUPPORT HELPS FEED



12 DRIVE- THRU FOOD DISTRIBUTIONS

hosted by the
Foodbank served

17,613 PEOPLE
with enough food for
241,590 MEALS.

OUR NEIGHBORS

493 PEOPLE

received home deliveries of produce from local farms twice per month through our partnership with Produce Perks Midwest.



25,646 HOME DELIVERIES

helped eliminate transportation barriers for families.



129,039 PEOPLE

received the equivalent of

887,195 MEALS

from The Keith D. Monda Family Food Pantry at our Stark County Campus.

9,266 FAMILIES

received enough food for

342,740 MEALS

from our mobile pop-up pantry.

PARTNERSHIP WITH HEALTH ON INTERSECTION OF HUNGE



President of Cleveland Clinic Akron General Dr. Brian Harte, Congresswoman Emilia Sykes and Foodbank CEO Dan Flowers celebrate the pantry opening at the hospital.

Health and hunger have always been related. Not having consistent access to healthy foods, or food in general, can cause significant health problems. Food banks across the country have been working in collaboration with local health systems to address social determinants of health.

Our food bank was excited to receive funding from the Ohio Department of Medicaid to partner with Akron Children's Hospital, Cleveland Clinic Akron General and Summa Health System in this work. All three health systems have food pantries in one or more of their facilities.

Physicians and hospital staff use a simple screening tool to ask patients questions regarding their ability to secure food

for their household. Depending on the response, the patient may be referred to the hospital pantry. The pantry is stocked with food from the Foodbank.

As inflation and limited food benefits impact local families, all three health systems have experienced greater demand for food assistance than anticipated.

Collectively, they've served more than 28,000 people with enough food for nearly 175,000 meals in 2023.

Summa Health's patients have expressed gratitude that their care providers are taking part in something that can have such a direct impact on their health,

SYSTEMS FOCUSES R AND HEALTH

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Having access to sufficient amounts of nutritious food is essential for a person being able to achieve and maintain good health, and this partnership with the Foodbank is helping many people reach that goal.”

Dr. Brian Harte

President of Cleveland Clinic Akron General

while noting how convenient it is to access food while at their doctor's office.

“Efforts to connect our patients with fresh, healthy food are critical to decreasing food insecurity and improving health,” said Dr. Ellen Harrington with the Summa Family Residency Program.

“We are working to expand our reach even further, developing initiatives for specific populations, such as patients with chronic medical conditions, pregnant patients and unhoused patients.”

As all three health systems work to

serve the community, Akron Children's Hospital has placed an emphasis on procuring culturally specific food items for the diverse populations they serve, including those who have Limited English Proficiency (LEP). Interpreter services are available, helping ensure LEP families feel comfortable and heard during their pantry visits.

“Akron Children's serves diverse patient families, so being able to provide culturally specific foods in our Food Pharmacy is very important. We aim to provide a variety of foods to meet the needs of our patient families,” said Bennett L. Williams, chief diversity, equity and inclusion officer and vice president for community initiatives at Akron Children's.



FOODBANK IS COMMITTED TO SERVING DIVERSE POPULATIONS

The Foodbank believes it's important for people to choose the food items they receive when visiting a food program. Giving someone the power to choose what they serve for dinner offers them dignity during a difficult time.

When visiting a choice food pantry, individuals can shop the pantry shelves as if they were at a supermarket, choosing food items appropriate for their dietary needs and personal preferences.

"In addition to the types of foods people are asking for, how food is produced, picked, sacrificed and packed all matter," said Rich Osborne, the director

of food acquisition and logistics for the Foodbank.

Sourcing culturally preferred foods — nutritious foods that meet the diverse tastes and needs of individuals based on their cultural identity — isn't new work for the Foodbank. Different grains, flour, beans, vegetables and kosher and halal food items have been requested by hunger-relief partners for years. These items aren't frequently donated to the Foodbank, so Rich would visit specialty grocery stores to buy these items on a small scale.

But in 2023, the Ohio Association of

DID YOU KNOW?

The Foodbank offers translation services 24/7 through the Ohio Association of Foodbanks. If an individual seeking help with groceries doesn't speak English as their primary language, they can be connected via phone to translators representing 150+ languages.



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Seeking help and visiting a food program requires a lot of courage, but seeing foods that remind you of home and your culture makes it a little easier.”

Nathan Kreis
Foodbank Senior Manager of Network Partners

Foodbanks administered funding for food banks to source even more culturally preferred foods.

The Foodbank's commitment to serving its diverse region is demonstrated by the work taking place in the North Hill neighborhood of Akron. It's home to a large refugee population where it's estimated that 30 different languages are spoken there. Fifteen hunger-relief programs serve this community, and they attempt to provide families with foods familiar to them.

“At the Foodbank, our vision is to feed all people,” said Nathan Kreis,

senior manager of the Foodbank's network partners.

“Our goal is to listen and understand how we can better serve all communities by breaking down barriers and creating welcoming spaces.”

With the new funding, the Foodbank is working with the 15 hunger-relief partners in Summit County, a Stark County partner that serves a large Latin population, and with the local health systems to source desirable food items for these diverse populations.

ANTI-HUNGER ADVOCATES WORK TOGETHER TO RALLY SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES FACING HUNGER

The Foodbank and its hunger-relief network rely on government support through a variety of state and federal food programs to ensure we're able to feed our neighbors.

The Ohio Food Program and Agricultural Clearance Program support food banks, but also Ohio's farmers and manufacturers. Ohio's biennial operating budget helps fund these programs.

Federal nutrition programs, including The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP), the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and the Commodity Supplement Food Program (CSFP), are funded by the Farm Bill, which is reauthorized every 5 years. The 2018 Farm Bill was set to expire in September 2023 but received a one-year extension when an agreement on reauthorization could not be reached.

The Foodbank rallied its hunger-relief advocates to help promote increased funding for many of these programs as it's become more difficult to source enough food to meet the increased demand. Many meetings with legislators, visits to the Ohio State House and Washington, D.C. were made in 2023.

Last summer, Governor Mike DeWine signed Ohio's Fiscal Year 2024-2025 operating budget bill into law. The budget included an additional \$7.5 million per year to support Ohio's food banks.

Our food bank expects to receive as much as 1.53 million pounds of additional food annually as a result. The state budget also extended free school meals for Ohio students in food insecure households, and removed harmful provisions related to SNAP and Medicaid benefits.

As plans to draft a new Farm Bill continue at the federal level, the Foodbank, in partnership with the Ohio Association of Foodbanks and other hunger-relief advocates, persists in educating and advocating around the importance of strong nutrition programs to nourish communities across our state and country. The newest five-year Farm Bill is expected to be passed in 2024.

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Foodbank staff Marisa Sorboro and Colleen Benson visit D.C. with Feeding America CEO Claire Babineaux-Fontenot and Katy Fuerst, past executive director of Feeding Medina County.

YOUR COMMITMENT TO HUNGER RELIEF REALIZED IN CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

The Foodbank's Main Campus in Akron was constantly buzzing with construction activity in 2023.

The renovation and expansion project, enabling the organization to better serve its hunger-relief network and community members struggling with hunger, included a series of mission-critical renovations. The project was completed in January 2024.

MAKE YOUR MARK!

The construction project kicked off in February with a beam-signing event to commemorate the important moment in the Foodbank's history.



10,000-SQUARE-FOOT ADDITION

The new welcome center and distribution dock will improve the hunger-relief partner experience.

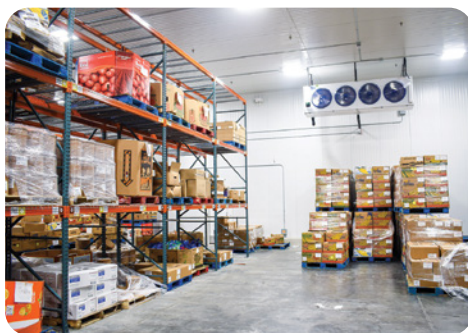
EXPANDED FREEZER & COOLER

The existing freezer and cooler were expanded, allowing additional distribution of fresh fruits, vegetables, dairy and meat products.



COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY & RESOURCE CENTER

In addition to groceries, the new food pantry and resource center will serve families facing hunger with a variety of services.



NETWORK PARTNER WELCOME CENTER

Hunger-relief partners celebrated the opening of the new welcome center.

COLLABORATIVE SPACES

New meeting spaces and a renovated commons will inspire innovation and will serve as a welcoming space for groups to host meetings.





10,389

Total volunteers

64,424

Total hours served

THANKFUL FOR OUR FAITHFUL FRIENDS

Our Foodbank Family, the volunteers who roll up their sleeves day in and day out to serve this food bank, make this great work happen. They tirelessly give their time, talents and compassion for those they may never meet. Some volunteers visit us annually, some weekly, and we are so thankful for them.

2023 Volunteer Impact

51,396

hours sorting and packing
food in volunteer center

5,057

hours drivers spent
picking up food

6,433

hours at onsite food pantry

1,415

hours at drive-thru
grocery distributions

DID YOU KNOW?

Volunteers serve in our warehouse, drive Foodbank vehicles to pick up food donations, help families shop the pantry shelves, staff the front desk and so much more.





SO GRATEFUL FOR THE MIGHTY CAN-DO-CREW

2023 CAN-DO-CREW VOLUNTEERS

Duane Acito
Russell Adams
Kathy Alessandrini
Anna Andreani
Scott Andreani
Sandra Asael
Will Backlin
Philip Bartholomae
Jeanne Bauhart
Cerenity Bell
Albert Bennett
Leslie Berdyck
Curtis Berryman, Jr.
Joy Bowman
Tim Brown
Delarisia Bruce
Lorene Butcher
Mark Butler

Bruce Carano
Bob Carter
Nelia Cullen
Mike Cunningham
Barbara D'Aurelio
Matt Dean
Patty DeArment
Denise DeVore
Denise Dollinger
Anthony D'Orazio
Suzy Egan
Kerry Elkins
Jan Everitt
Missy Falor
Karen Farkas
Tom Fiala
Pamela Finley
Debra Flesor

Nick Flesor
Kenneth Focazio
Mary Focazio
Carl Foraker
Jean Foraker
Janie Foshee
Ron Fulton
Julia Gallik
Jeff Gebhard
Jerry Gonsiewski
Tamara Gonsiewski
Kurt Gramlich
Cheryl Gray
Dave Greek
Susan Griffin
Karen Hanna
Frank Harrah
Pat Harrah

Lori Hart
Karen Hill
Bobbi Hoobler
Dan Horning
Mark Isler
Jack Jones
Terry Jones
Dennis Jordan
Norma Jordan
Robert Joyce
Barbara Justen
Maureen Kerr
Ralph Kletzien
Neal Kodish
Matt Kopchick
Kara Kovitch
Robert LaSalvia
Sally L.

Our Can-Do-Crew returned in full force in 2023. Volunteers who contribute a minimum of 100 hours or volunteer 25 times in a calendar year are part of the elite Can-Do-Crew.

This small but mighty group contributes more than 35% of the volunteer hours served at the Foodbank.



144
volunteers

22,816
hours served

Linda Lazoran
Nancy LePar
Thom Lindenberger
John Majewski
Kristen Manes
Roger Manse
Mark Marinko
Mike Mast
Kevin McCauley
Chris McDonnell
Edward McDonnell
Robert McKnight
Paul Mercina
William Miller
Joseph Modrak
Wendy Mohlmaster
Dennis Moroney
Peggy Muhlenkamp

Rhonda Mundy
Katie Noe
Linda Olinger
Allen Park
Wayne Peel
Marsha Peters
Marilyn Poulos
Ernest Rawls, Jr.
Dave Richey
Pat Rochford
Lynda Rohr
Dr. Cherokee Russo
John Ruth
Jan Ryan
Richard Sacco
Thomas Safford
Walter Salyer
Alexa Sandmann

Steve Schadelbauer
Jan Schaub
Kent Scherpenisse
Heather Schiltz
Michael Schiltz
John Schur
Rondi Seagren
Eric Shamp
Francine Sheil
Heather Shreve
Mary Smith
John Sobolewski
Rita Stahl
Elizabeth Steenwyk
Daniel Steurer
Sr. Denise Stiles
Nancy Stoller
Linda Subich

Jean Tanner
Judy Tenenbaum
Samantha Tierney
Cheryl Venarge
David Watt
Dan Wesse
Norma Westfall
Catherine Whalen
George Whalen
Clayton Whitney
Beverly Winter
Robert Wolfe
Marty Wozniak
Judith Yasenosky
Amy Zelle
Steve Zimmer

FRESH MARK: OVER FOUR DE



Fresh Mark leaders Kristin Hannon and Alicia Pucky are committed to hunger relief.

Corporate partners are vital to the Foodbank's hunger-relief efforts. They provide volunteers, food and financial support, board leadership and so much more. Sometimes, corporate partners emerge who are so committed to fighting hunger, that everyone in the organization — from leadership to production team members to interns — are passionate about the Foodbank's mission to feed people and fight hunger.

The Foodbank is grateful to have this kind of partner in Fresh Mark. For years, Fresh Mark has been committed to community organizations like the Foodbank who actively care for our friends, families and neighbors.

"As a food manufacturer in the Foodbank's backyard, the Foodbank has always been a good partner for us," said Alicia Pucky, vice president, chief

people & corporate responsibility officer at Fresh Mark. "Throughout our history, we have recognized that addressing food insecurity is a fundamental step for building stronger, healthier communities. It's important to Fresh Mark that as a company that produces food, we are exploring options to make sure people in this country don't go hungry."

As the Foodbank has seen an increase in people needing help with groceries, Fresh Mark has increased its food donations by nearly 100,000 pounds in 2023.

Additionally, Fresh Mark has created more opportunities for their employees and members of the community to support the Foodbank through their support of

DECADES OF IMPACT

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Giving back to the communities where we live and work is a cornerstone of our culture, and we are proud to have employees who model this giving spirit.”

Alicia Pucky

Vice President, Chief People & Corporate Responsibility Officer at Fresh Mark

the annual Harvest for Hunger Campaign. They collect food in the spring for the campaign, send volunteers to the Stark County Campus, and in 2023, they hosted a food and funds drive at the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

Fresh Mark also supports the Foodbank through board service. Kristin Hannon, recruiting and development manager, has served on the Foodbank's board of directors since 2009, though she's been with Fresh Mark for two years.

“It brings me joy to see Fresh Mark support the Foodbank. To see alignment in the things that are important to me, the places where I spend most of my time — home and work — makes me feel fulfilled,” said Kristin.

She knows people who, through various circumstances, found themselves in

a place where they had to make hard choices between things such as the needs of their children, putting food on the table and paying bills. “If there was something I could do, even in a small way, to help impact them or at least bring awareness to what people were going through, then I wanted to be a part of it.”

The Foodbank is extremely grateful for Kristin, Alicia and everyone at Fresh Mark who chooses to support hunger relief. It's because of their generosity and commitment that the Foodbank can feed our neighbors in need.

FOSTERING STRONGER RELATIONSHIPS WITH YOU

The Foodbank is grateful for the individuals, organizations, corporations and foundations who choose to support local hunger relief through contributions of time, food and financial resources. As part of the organization's new strategic plan, we vow to never take these investors for granted, but instead, we strive to deepen our impact with these essential partners.

Engaging young professionals

In 2023, the Foodbank refreshed CORE, its group for young professionals. Members experienced a behind-the-scenes, fully immersive experience as they learned about the many inner workings of food banking through lunch and learns, volunteering, poverty simulations and more.





Sustainer Circle members mingle in 2023

Sustainer Circle members were also engaged in new ways. This group of loyal donors are dedicated supporters of the Foodbank, making monthly financial contributions to help fight hunger. Panel discussions, an in-depth video series and other opportunities to connect with one another helped strengthen their affinity for the Foodbank's work.



CELEBRATING 2023'S BIG M



Community members signed a **21-foot construction beam** before it was hung in the new expansion at the Main Campus in Akron.



The **32nd annual Harvest for Hunger Campaign** kicked off with nearly 400 friends at the John S. Knight Center in Akron.



Deepen Our Impact, **the Foodbank's new strategic plan**, was launched in February.

OMENTS WITH YOU!



More than 1,000 guests joined us for the best happy hour in Stark County, the **31st annual Celebrity Cuisine**.



Nearly 1,000 elves jingled their way through downtown Akron for the **11th annual Selfless Elf 5k**.



Community leaders and volunteers celebrated surpassing the Harvest for Hunger goal, by raising the equivalent of **more than 5.3 million meals** for our community!



COLLABORATIVE NETWORK GROWS TOGETHER



The Foodbank is grateful to have dedicated hunger-relief partners across its eight-county service area. These partners manage approximately 600 programs that directly serve families facing hunger. Together, we work hard to feed our community.

These pantries, hot meal sites, shelters, children and senior citizen programs serve as the difference between hunger and hope for thousands of people in our region.

These programs are the boots on the ground when it comes to feeding our neighbors.

\$1.5 million

invested in capacity-building resources through food credits, financial support, trucks, computers, shelving and more

62

hunger-relief partners
attended the
biennial gathering

149

people attended
roundtable
conversations

28

orientations
and food safety
trainings offered

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Educational sessions like the Network Gathering are important because they allow us to obtain information on available resources for our clients, enabling us to better serve them.”

Jan Canter

Counselor/Case Manager at Stark County TASC, Supportive Services for New Beginnings

The Foodbank is focused on building a strong and sustainable network to help optimize the region's collective work in hunger relief. The organization's new strategic plan, Deepen Our Impact, strives to be nimble, flexible and creative when meeting the needs of its diverse service area.

In 2023, we hosted our biennial network gathering. We brought hunger-relief partners together to discuss best practices and share innovative ideas in our work. Topics covered included succession planning, asset building, fundraising strategies, cultural humility

and grant writing. More than 60 partners were represented at the event.



Every meal has a story.
MEET ROSE.



Rose started cooking for her family when she was just 13 years old. Her go-to meal has always been chicken noodle soup; her tasty recipe is a secret she only shares with her loved ones.

But now, at 70 years old, Rose struggles to purchase the food she needs to prepare herself nourishing meals.

“I love to cook, and I haven’t been able to as much,” Rose shares.

Rose lives on a fixed income. Last year, her food benefits were cut from more than \$200 per month to just \$84. Adjusting to the decrease amid rising food prices has been difficult.

“There are a lot of foods I can’t get because I can’t afford them,” she says.

To help stretch her budget, Rose visits a local food pantry. She loves receiving potatoes, beef and pantry staples. But one of her favorite foods to pick up is chicken so that she can cook her classic chicken noodle soup.

Because of the food pantry, Rose doesn’t have to worry about not having enough money to pay her rent and other necessary expenses.

“Thank you, thank you, thank you,” Rose says to the people who support local hunger relief. “God bless you.”

By the numbers...

702,463
meals provided

181,408
produce pounds distributed

842,956
pounds distributed

- 7 food pantries
- 4 senior citizen programs
- 3 youth and backpack programs
- 14 total programs

TOP 5
HUNGER-RELIEF
PARTNERS
BY POUNDS

- 1. Minerva Methodist Church
- 2. Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry
- 3. Minerva Community Outreach
- 4. Northeast Jefferson Food Pantry
- 5. Malvern Christian Care Center



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“

We love the connection with the Foodbank. We’ve been blessed. If we help just one person, that means the world to me.”

Tonya Myers
Director of The Carroll
County Council on Aging

Every meal has a story.

MEET DONNA & HALEY.



As a young adult, Donna, 53, served in the U.S. Navy, repairing torpedoes. After her service, she worked various jobs for 35 years to help support her family.

But as she has gotten older, working has become nearly impossible. She must use a cane after breaking her back. She also struggles with hip and knee issues and is diabetic. With a household of four, it's challenging to support her family without a steady income.

Their family receives SNAP food benefits, but after pandemic-related benefits ended early last year, they don't last their family through the month. "Food stamps just don't cover it anymore," said Donna.

A few years ago, Donna's daughter Haley left her job to become her mother's and other disabled family members' full-time caregiver. To help feed their families, Donna and Haley visit a food pantry in Holmes County for extra groceries.

The money they save on groceries helps them pay the electric and water bills and gas for their vehicle.

***"Thank you very much,"
Haley said. "It's a big help."***

By the numbers...

871,854
meals provided

257,641
produce pounds distributed

1,046,225
pounds distributed

- 4 food pantries
- 2 senior citizen programs
- 1 youth and backpack programs
- 1 non-emergency programs
- 8 total programs

TOP 5
HUNGER-RELIEF
PARTNERS
BY POUNDS

- 1. Millersburg Church of God
- 2. Love Center Food Pantry
- 3. Darb Snyder Senior Center
- 4. Lakeville UMC
- 5. Glenmont Food Pantry/St. John’s UCC



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“
Without the Foodbank,
we couldn’t do what
we do. The Foodbank
has been there for us
through this whole time.”

Edgar Raber
Director of The Love Center
Food Pantry

LOCAL COUPLE TURNS HARDSHIP INTO SERVICE TO OTHERS



Hunger-relief partners in the Foodbank's network fight hunger by providing food with compassion. Their support and love embodies true service, offering hope and nourishment to families in need. Some manage food pantries out of kindness, while others do so because they've experienced hunger firsthand.

Bob and Phyllis are a married couple who both experienced hunger while growing up. Phyllis' father, a coal miner, faced layoffs, while Bob's family encountered food insecurity when his mother became a widow with four children. They remember receiving free canned food, powdered milk and rice to make ends meet.

"We both grew up not having much," recounts Bob.

Now in their 70s, Bob and Phyllis dedicate their time to feeding their neighbors in Medina County. As co-directors of Brunswick Food Pantry, they serve approximately 1,500 families annually, including retired adults living on fixed incomes in nearby senior living communities.

The pantry considers dietary needs and cultural preferences, providing low-sugar, gluten-free and culturally preferred foods.

The Foodbank is grateful for their hard work and commitment to local hunger relief.

By the numbers...

1,589,199
meals provided

527,901
produce pounds distributed

1,907,039
pounds distributed

26

food pantries

4

hot meals/shelters

6

senior citizen
programs

2

youth and
backpack programs

2

non-emergency
programs

40

total programs

TOP 5
HUNGER-RELIEF
PARTNERS
BY POUNDS

1. Feeding Medina County
2. Matthew 25 Outreach Center
3. Lodi Family Center
4. Living Hope Church
5. St. Ambrose Catholic Works of Mercy



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“

My food stamps have been cut, so I only receive \$64 per month. Because of my income and the bills I pay, I can't afford groceries. I'm blessed for the food I receive. Thank you.”

Peggy
Food Recipient

Every meal has a story.

MEET TAMMY.



Tammy is a mom of three. A few years ago, her husband unexpectedly got sick and had to spend more than a month in the hospital, accumulating several medical bills that were difficult to pay.

“I was pregnant, and my husband was in the hospital. Everything just snowballed, and we needed help,” Tammy shares.

To make ends meet, Tammy started visiting her local pantry in Portage County.

Now, her husband is back to work as a carpenter, but much of his paychecks go toward necessary expenses like their electric bill and gas for their vehicle so he can get to

and from work. Tammy would like to find a job, but the cost of childcare for three young children isn't easy to afford. The food pantry helps support her family of five, ensuring her children have the nourishing food they need to grow and thrive.

“This food is really, greatly appreciated. It goes a long way for a lot of people, especially for us — especially in today’s economy.”

By the numbers...

1,433,438
meals provided

422,140
produce pounds distributed

1,720,126
pounds distributed

25

food pantries

6

hot meals/shelters

5

senior citizen programs

8

youth and backpack programs

7

non-emergency programs

51

total programs

TOP 5 HUNGER-RELIEF PARTNERS BY POUNDS

1. The Salvation Army (Windham)
2. The Salvation Army (Ravenna)
3. Brimfield Community Cupboard
4. Center of Hope
5. Community Bible Church



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“

I think we’re really fortunate to have the partnership with the Foodbank. We couldn’t do this work without them.”

Ted Lysiak
*President of The Nelson
Garrettsville Community Cupboard*

CANTON PANTRY SERVES NEIGHBORS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD



Crossroads United Methodist Church in Canton has been operating a food program for more than 30 years. But since Pastor Mike began leading these efforts in 2020 amidst the pandemic, the program has seen major changes.

“We now operate from a place of abundance, rather than a scarcity model. We want people to take what they need and come as often as they need to,” he said.

A unique aspect of Canton Fresh Market is that it serves a very diverse population. Immigrants and refugees from all over the world have made Canton their home — 25% of shoppers are non-native English speakers. A pantry employee speaks fluent Spanish and can act

as a translator when needed.

Because of the demographics served, Canton Fresh Market has access to culturally diverse foods on the Foodbank’s menu, ensuring food items are procured for families from diverse cultures and religious traditions.

“If we can offer food that looks familiar, nourishes and reminds someone of home, and brings them peace and comfort, why wouldn’t we?”

“The Foodbank is a key partner for us because it allows us to do great, bold things to transform our community,” said Pastor Mike.

By the numbers...

9,415,524
meals provided

2,670,614
produce pounds distributed

11,298,629
pounds distributed

72

food pantries

34

hot meals/shelters

11

senior citizen
programs

25

youth and
backpack programs

17

non-emergency
programs

159

total programs

**TOP 5
HUNGER-RELIEF
PARTNERS
BY POUNDS**

1. North Canton Church of Christ
2. Canton Crossroads UMC
3. Alliance Community Pantry
4. TOSM
5. Stark County Hunger Task Force



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Otilia was amazed by the amount of food available to families struggling with hunger after moving to Canton from Honduras two years ago. “The food is very good. I am very happy.”

Otilia
Food Recipient

Every meal has a story.

MEET KENNETH.



Kenneth just dropped his wife off at work; now, he waits in line to receive food from a distribution at his local Salvation Army. Though Kenneth is retired, he and his wife stay busy as they care for their grandkids. Their family accesses food distributions when their limited income makes it difficult to afford groceries.

The love Kenneth has for his neighbors is evident. He shares a large portion of the food he receives with others who need it, like his neighbors who are disabled with transportation barriers.

Volunteers load Kenneth's car with sweet potatoes, frozen pulled pork, cereal, milk, cheese,

canned vegetables and other nourishing groceries.

"These food distributions are truly needed in our community right now, especially for people affected by the reduction in SNAP benefits," said Kenneth.

Thanks to the generous support from our community, Kenneth and his family have access to the nourishing food they need to thrive.

By the numbers...

10,002,394
meals provided

2,517,298
produce pounds distributed

12,002,873
pounds distributed

112

food pantries

52

hot meals/shelters

10

senior citizen programs

54

youth and backpack programs

37

non-emergency programs

265

total programs

TOP 5 HUNGER-RELIEF PARTNERS BY POUNDS

1. Ellet Community Church of God
2. Good Neighbors
3. The Salvation Army (Akron)
4. OPEN M
5. The Sanctuary



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The heart for this work comes from people in the church, who at one time in their lives, were down and out, and they had to rely upon food pantries to survive.

Pastor Mitch Martin
Senior Pastor at Ellet Community Church of God

FOOD AND OTHER SERVICES SERVE AS CATALYST FOR CHANGE



According to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, thousands of people experience homelessness in Ohio.

Friends of the Homeless, a hunger-relief partner of the Foodbank, is a unique shelter that offers accommodations for men, women and families, rather than just one population.

The shelter's residents receive three meals per day — fixing their own breakfast and lunch, and then coming together for supper. Dinner is prepared and provided by community volunteers. The shelter also offers to-go meals every day for non-shelter residents, and a food box program for people

in need of extra groceries.

The shelter also provides a 90-day program where residents work with case managers for support services like job readiness and securing housing. Phyllis, the shelter's maintenance manager, witnesses positive transformations in the people they serve.

"I've seen so many positive changes in the people we serve," said Phyllis.

"When they leave here, they have a positive outlook and they've changed for the better. And we provide support even after they leave — we keep in contact with them to check in."

By the numbers...

3,265,393
meals provided

1,042,111
produce pounds distributed

3,918,471
pounds distributed

- 8 food pantries
- 7 hot meals/shelters
- 3 senior citizen programs
- 5 youth and backpack programs
- 3 non-emergency programs
- 26 total programs

TOP 5 HUNGER-RELIEF PARTNERS BY POUNDS

1. Greater Dover New Philadelphia Food Pantry
2. Journey's End Ministries
3. Twin City Christian Service Center
4. LifeWay Church
5. Blessings in a Backpack (New Philadelphia)



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It's really nice knowing that I can get food the honest way. It's nice knowing I don't have to make difficult decisions to afford meals.”

Adam
Food Recipient

FOOD PANTRY OFFERS HOPE AND SUPPORT



In Wayne County, nearly 13,000 individuals, including 3,500 children, may be food insecure. People to People in Wooster, a Foodbank hunger-relief partner, aims to alleviate the challenges families in need may face.

Each month, their food pantry serves around 250 households, including 50 seniors and 300 children. “We want people to have the food they need,” said Joe, People to People’s director of operations.

People to People understands the importance of fresh, nutritious foods. In addition to receiving nourishing food from the Foodbank, their relationships with local dairy

farmers help secure donations of farm fresh milk. Individuals in their community often donate vegetables and fruits directly from their gardens, and the county fair donates fresh meat.

When families in need visit People to People, they leave with more than a cart of food. The organization hosts a free clothing room, temporarily helps households pay for rent, prescription medications or utilities and supports children in a variety of ways.

We’re grateful for People to People and all the services they offer our community members.

By the numbers...

1,295,377
meals provided

442,436
produce pounds distributed

1,554,452
pounds distributed

14

food pantries

6

hot meals/shelters

2

senior citizen
programs

7

youth and
backpack programs

5

non-emergency
programs

34

total programs

TOP 5
HUNGER-RELIEF
PARTNERS
BY POUNDS

1. Wooster Hope Center
2. New Destiny Treatment Center
3. St. Peter's UCC (Apple Creek)
4. Crown Hill Mennonite Church
5. New Beginnings Crossroads



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full listing



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*You have to be thankful
for what you do have,
because things could
always be much worse.
This pantry is a lifesaver
for a lot of people.”*

Richard
Food Recipient

FOODBANK INVESTORS

\$250,000+

FirstEnergy
Giant Eagle
The J.M. Smucker Co.
David & Cheryl Venarge
VERITÀ
Telecommunications

\$100,000+

Akron Community
Foundation
American Electric
Power Foundation
Anonymous
Buehler's Fresh Foods
Chick-fil-A, Inc.
Greg & Tricia Griffith
Kaulig Companies
Championship and
Northern Ohio Golf
Charities Foundation
Bill & Pearl Lemmon
Stark Community
Foundation
The Timken Fund of
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Foundation
Westfield

\$50,000+

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Jon & Kitty Antalvari
The Christ Foundation
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The Goodyear Tire &
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Family Foundation

Timken Company Charitable
and Educational Fund
Walmart & Walmart
Foundation
Werner-Marsh Family

\$25,000+

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Foodbank Staff
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\$10,000+

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Establishing strategic partnerships with local stakeholders is key to the Foodbank's mission to feed more people. The relationships forged between the Foodbank and our passionate and committed Major Partners are vital to our community's collective wellbeing. Major Partners have contributed more than 40,000 meals through product donations, financial contributions or a combination of both. Thank you, Major Partners, for continuing to make a difference.

VISIONARY PARTNERS

1 million+ meals



David & Cheryl
Venarge



LEADERSHIP PARTNERS

200,000+ meals

 AKRON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION <small>ENRICHING LIVES SINCE 1955</small>	Akron Summit Community Action, Inc.		Jon & Kitty Antalvari
Bimbo Bakeries	 Buehler's <i>Fresh Foods</i> <small>PUTTING PEOPLE FIRST.</small>		 THE CHRIST FOUNDATION
			
The Gessner Family Foundation		Greg & Tricia Griffin	
			
The Keith D. Monda Family			
			Stark County Community Action Agency
	Timken Company Charitable and Educational Fund		WESTFIELD™

FOODBANK MAJOR PARTNERS

VISIONARY PARTNERS

1 million+ meals

The County of Summit
Giant Eagle
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VERITÀ Telecommunications
Walmart & Walmart Foundation

LEADERSHIP PARTNERS

200,000+ meals

Akron Community Foundation
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Coca-Cola Bottling Co.
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Robert O. & Annamae Orr Family Foundation
PepsiCo Beverages North America
Produce Perks Midwest
Sam's Club
Shearer's Snacks
Stark County Community Action Agency
Target

Timken Company Charitable and Educational Fund
Westfield

MISSION PARTNERS

80,000+ meals

Akron Beacon Journal
Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank Staff
Amazon
Anonymous
Bank of America
Bauhart Family
The Beaver Excavating Company
BJ's Wholesale Clubs
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US Foods
Christine & Michael Walker
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COMMUNITY PARTNERS

40,000+ meals

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7-Eleven
Akron Area Interfaith Council
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Anonymous (9)
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FOOD SOURCES

30%

Local Food
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24%

State of Ohio

20%

USDA

15%

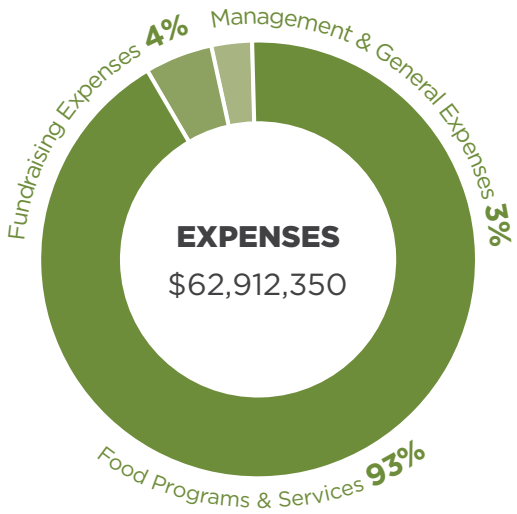
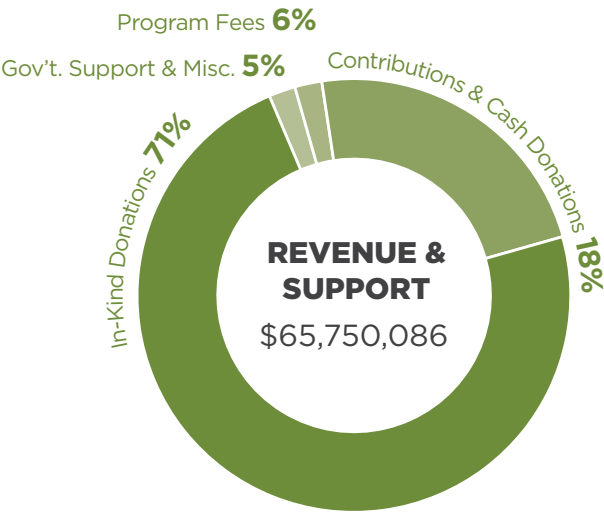
Feeding America

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Food Drives



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OUR MISSION

To lead a collaborative network that empowers people to experience healthy and hunger-free lives. We distribute food to feed people and we advocate, engage and convene our community in the fight to end hunger.

OUR VISION

A thriving community free of hunger.

OUR VALUES

Collaboration working together to leverage the wisdom of collective thinking

Compassion acting with kindness, grace and a willingness to help

Inclusion creating an environment where all people feel safe, welcomed, respected and valued

Innovation embracing creativity, risk and an openness to being different

Integrity pursuing ethical, credible and honorable conduct

Service striving to exceed expectations

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