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Give Money

\$20 feeds a family of four for 10 days



Give Time

One volunteer sorts enough food per hour to feed 355 people.



Fighting Hunger in Eastern Michigan

Impact Report 2019



From the President

Our goal each year is simple: to provide access to healthy food for nearly 200,000 hungry people in the 22 counties we serve in eastern Michigan.

As you'll see on the pages of this annual report, that is no small task and requires a vast network of more than 700 Hunger Relief Partners, thousands of volunteer and staff hours, hundreds of thousands of miles traveled, and relationships with retailers, farmers, businesses, and organizations all over Michigan.

Currently, as the school year ends, we have a new challenge: providing food during the summer to children who rely on free and reduced school lunch programs. Once students are not in school, they no longer have weekday access to school lunches. They no longer get backpacks full of food to take home on weekends through our Backpack Program.

Our Summer Feeding Program fills that gap, by taking freshly prepared meals directly to kids in need. This summer, we have summer feeding sites at more than 60 (and counting) locations in Genesee, Gladwin, Lapeer, and Saginaw counties. We also have 14 mobile trucks, taking meals directly to kids in school and church parking lots, parks, and apartment complexes. Over the course of the summer, we will serve more than 81,000 meals and provided more than 11,000 take-home nutrition bags.

The program, like everything we do, relies on partnerships and volunteers. We have AmeriCorps members helping supervise sites. It is done in partnership with the USDA. And in June, volunteers that included elected officials and staff members from the Michigan House of Representatives spent hours in our Hunger Solution Center packing and assembling thousands of nutrition bags.

In short, our fight against hunger never stops, and we would not have the resources to provide the constant services we



deliver without donors and supporters like you.

This Annual Report gives you an overview of our collective impact. The work we do in service to our food insecure neighbors is vital, and I am grateful for the daily support we receive.

Thank you for all that you do to help us meet our mission of providing healthy food to those in need. Please consider a monthly contribution, volunteering to sort food, or promoting the Food Bank and the work we do within your businesses, organizations, or personal networks. It all makes a difference to the hungry in our community.

Sincerely:

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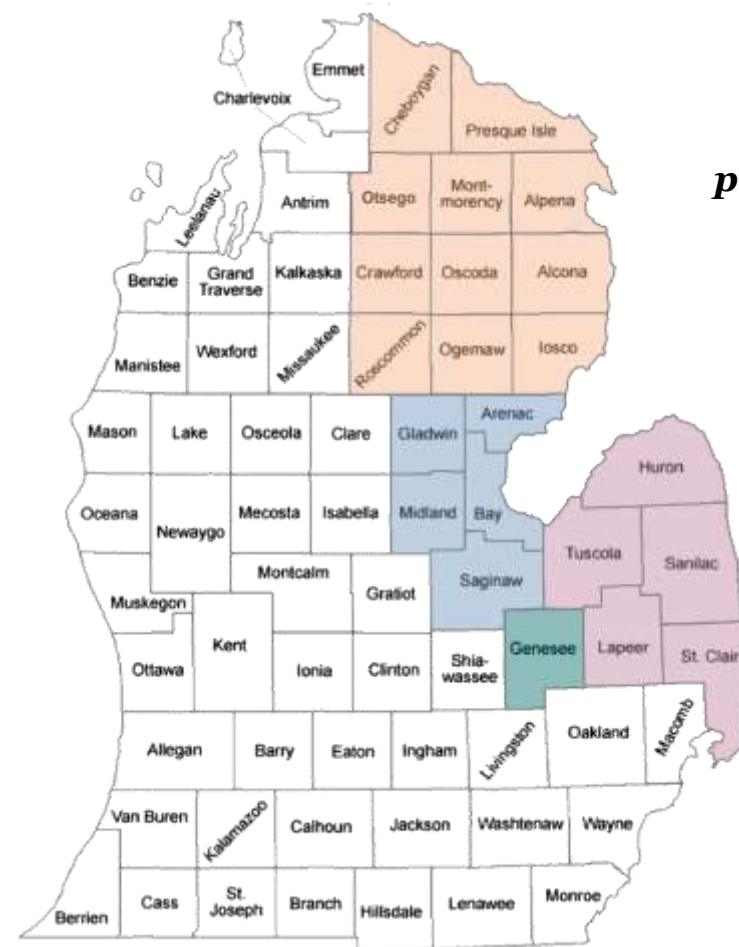
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Our Hunger Relief Partner Network



The Food Bank of Eastern Michigan is committed to ending hunger in the 22 counties we serve. This would not be possible without a powerful network of Hunger Relief partners that includes:

22 Michigan Counties

360 Partner Agencies

196 Backpack Program Sites

28 School Pantry Sites

87 Youth Meal Sites

6 College Pantry Sites

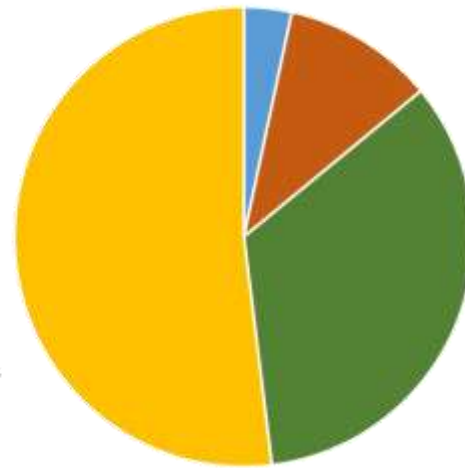


A Healthy Food Source for Families

The Food Bank of Eastern Michigan distributed nearly 29 million pounds of food in 2018. But of that total, nearly half of all food provided to families in need was *fresh*. Here's the breakdown:



- Milk/Dairy
- Protein/Meats
- Produce
- Other Categories



9 Million
Pounds Produce

2 Million
Pounds
Meat/Protein

941,000
Pounds Dairy

Our culinary and programs team provided nearly **5 million meals** to children in need in 2018:

753,792 Meals
to Head Start and Afterschool

81,962 Meals
to Summer Feeding Sites

3.7 Million Meals
in the Backpack Program

168,000 Meals
to Homes in Summer Nutrition



Purchasing Power

The Food Bank of Eastern Michigan's partnerships with farmers and retailers give us immense purchasing power. For example:

290,000 Pounds of Apples:

Retail Price: \$290,000

**Food Bank Pays:
\$32,000**



Supporting Seniors



A \$200 donation provides a senior on a fixed income with up to 60 pounds of groceries per month.

In 2018, the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan provided **234,417 Senior Box Program meals**.

Where Our Food Comes From

Relationships with major retailers, MI farmers, and individuals & organizations who host food drives helped us distribute nearly **29 million pounds** of food in 2018.



Volunteers during the annual NALC Food Drive.



The Vascular Institute hosts an annual food drive.



Mike Pirrone Produce has donated nearly 2 million pounds of produce to the Food Bank.



Volunteer Impact



The Food Bank of Eastern Michigan relies on volunteer support to sort and pack food, preparing it for shipping and distribution by our Hunger Relief Partners.

In 2018, more than **6,900 individuals** volunteered in our Hunger Solution Center.

In just **one hour**, a single volunteer sorts enough food to feed **355**



Supporting Flint's Recovery

The Food Bank of Eastern Michigan distributed more **50 million bottles** of water in 2018.

Feeding programs and mobile nutrition trucks provided Flint residents with access to foods high in lead-mitigating nutrients.

Mobile nutrition trucks provided **7.6 Million Meals** to Flint residents.

The Food Bank continues to assist the three **Community HELP Centers**.

