



FOODBANK
FOR THE HEARTLAND

2021

ANNUAL REPORT

JULY 1, 2020 - JUNE 30, 2021

MEMBER OF
**FEEDING
AMERICA**



FROM THE president & board chair

Dear friends of the Food Bank,

Grit. Tenacity. Resilience. Determination. As we reflect on the past twelve months, these are the words that come to mind. Despite the challenges we face, nothing has deterred the passion of our donors, volunteers, network partners, staff, and board members to rise up together in the face of hardship. Generosity and compassion are trademarks of communities across Nebraska and western Iowa, and it is through these strengths that we remain hopeful for the families we all serve.

From the bottom of our hearts, we want to say THANK YOU. We remain in awe of the work we have accomplished with your support. Every day, we are filling hearts with hope and tables with nutritious food, breaking the vicious cycle of food insecurity. Your unwavering dedication has made the impossible, possible.

In FY 2021, the Food Bank distributed more than 44 million pounds of food across the Heartland. This is a testament to the tremendous need, but also demonstrates the power of our community to stand firm in our commitment to help.

This 2021 Annual Report tells the stories of those we collectively helped along the way and the many faces who made this work happen. Together, we are creating a healthier Heartland; one meal, one community, one delivery, one volunteer, and one donation at a time. THANK YOU!



Brian Barks
President & CEO



Denise McCauley
Chair of the Board

FOOD BANK FOR THE HEARTLAND

at a glance

MISSION

To provide emergency and supplemental food to the people in need in Nebraska and western Iowa.

VISION

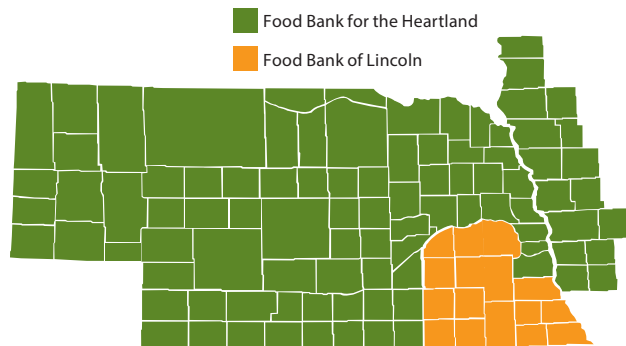
To eliminate hunger in our community.

VALUES

In everything we do, we serve with respect, integrity and urgency.

SERVICE AREA

93 counties in Nebraska and western Iowa are served by Food Bank for the Heartland and our network partners.



CREATING A HEALTHY HEARTLAND, ONE COMMUNITY AT A TIME

Every day, Food Bank staff, volunteers, donors, and network partners live out our mission to make a difference in the communities we serve—creating a healthier Heartland for children, families, seniors, and veterans. Because of your support, people like Joyce receive the help they need to overcome difficult situations. Joyce shared this message with us after visiting one of our mobile pantries.



I live in Long Pine, Nebraska, which is a very small town. I'm retired on a fixed income and my husband passed away from COVID-19 in December. Now, my social security has dropped to one-income. The food I received at the mobile pantry was so fresh and the people delivering it were so nice. It just makes you feel good all over to know that somebody cares. When strangers come to you and offer you help, even if it's just in food, it really means a lot. It felt good to know that somebody cares about our little community. God bless you all.

Joyce, a Mobile Pantry Participant

FOOD BANK FOR THE HEARTLAND

by the numbers



206,940 INDIVIDUALS

IN THE FOOD BANK'S SERVICE AREA ARE CONSIDERED FOOD INSECURE. THAT'S **1 IN 9** PEOPLE AND **1 IN 6** CHILDREN.



44,484,273 POUNDS OF FOOD

DISTRIBUTED TO NEIGHBORS IN NEED. THAT INCLUDES **12,780,298** POUNDS OF FRESH PRODUCE.



37,070,228 MEALS PROVIDED

8,901,818 MORE THAN FY 2020



1,451,472 CHILDREN'S MEALS PROVIDED

THROUGH THE BACKPACK, MOBILE BACKPACK, KIDS CAFÉ AND KIDS CRUISIN' KITCHEN PROGRAMS



589 NETWORK PARTNERS

TO WHICH THE FOOD BANK DISTRIBUTES FOOD, INCLUDING PANTRIES, SCHOOLS, CHURCHES, EMERGENCY SHELTERS AND OTHER NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS



389 MOBILE PANTRIES

DISTRIBUTED 3,970,417 MEALS; +25% OVER FY 2020



299,649 MILES DRIVEN BY THE FOOD BANK FLEET

COVERING OUR 78,000-SQUARE-MILE SERVICE AREA



\$17,829,141 IN FOOD PURCHASES

A 267% INCREASE OVER FY 2020



32,119 VOLUNTEER HOURS DONATED

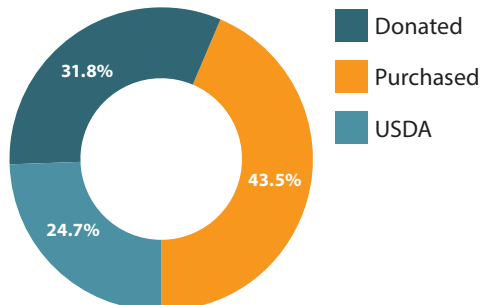
BY INDIVIDUALS, CORPORATIONS, AND CIVIC GROUPS, THE EQUIVALENT OF 15 FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES



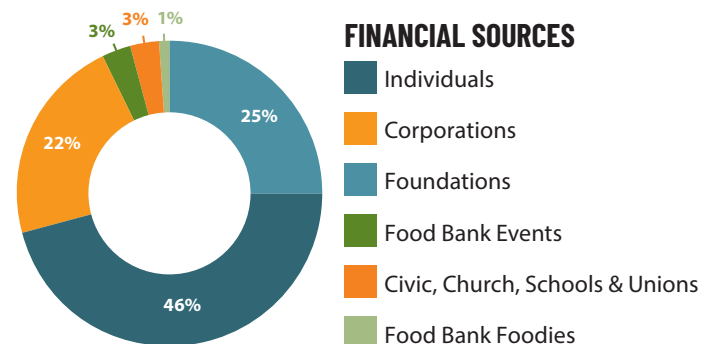
23,479 HOUSEHOLDS SERVED

THROUGH OUR SNAP OUTREACH TEAM

FOOD SOURCES (CALCULATED IN POUNDS)



\$13.5 MILLION FINANCIAL DONATIONS



FOOD BANK FOR THE HEARTLAND

statement of financial position

JULY 1, 2020 TO JUNE 30, 2021

*UNAUDITED FINANCIALS

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS	2021	2020
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$11,886,069	\$7,917,560
Accounts Receivable	\$358,179	\$1,414,875
Unconditional Promise to Give	\$149,340	\$1,085,456
Prepaid Expenses	\$37,990	\$80,770
Food Inventory	\$1,455,892	\$1,787,381
Investments	\$2,948,795	\$2,382,242
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$16,836,265	\$14,668,284
NONCURRENT ASSETS	2021	2020
Fixed Assets, Net of Depreciation	\$6,354,958	\$6,108,144
Other Long Term Assets	\$32,986	\$33,031
TOTAL NONCURRENT ASSETS	\$6,387,944	\$6,141,175
TOTAL ASSETS	\$23,224,209	\$20,809,459

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

CURRENT LIABILITIES	2021	2020
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	\$1,400,166	\$1,301,409
Other Current Liabilities	\$465,312	\$652,029
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$1,865,478	\$1,953,438
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	2021	2019
Operating leases	\$96,163	\$96,163
TOTAL LONG TERM LIABILITIES	\$96,163	\$96,163
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$1,961,641	\$2,049,601
NET ASSETS	2021	2020
Without donor restriction	\$20,375,297	\$17,814,137
With donor restriction	\$887,271	\$945,721
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$21,262,568	\$18,759,858
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$23,224,209	\$20,809,459

FY 2021

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (ACCRUAL BASIS)

SUPPORT

Donated Food	\$26,246,650
Monetary and in-kind Donations	\$13,546,903
USDA Commodities	\$8,380,397
Government Support	\$14,487,348
Other Revenue	\$505,414
TOTAL SUPPORT	\$63,166,712

EXPENSES

Program	(\$59,054,926)
Administration	(\$933,837)
Fundraising	(\$675,239)
Change in Net Assets	\$2,502,710
Beginning Net Assets	\$18,759,858
ENDING NET ASSETS	\$21,262,568

FOOD BANK FOR THE HEARTLAND

Programs

Food Bank for the Heartland works with **589 network partners**, including pantries, schools, churches, emergency shelters and other non-profit organizations to supply emergency and supplemental food. In FY 2021, we distributed more than **37 million meals** through our partners and an additional **72 pandemic-response organizations**. Our network partners play an integral role in our communities to assist those struggling with food insecurity throughout the Heartland.



1 in 6 children in the Food Bank's 93-county service area is at-risk for hunger. The Backpack program, a partnership with area schools, offers packs of weekend breakfasts and lunches to children. Each week during the school year, **8,464 packs—equating 33,856 meals**—of easy-to-prepare or ready-to-eat nutritious food are distributed to children in **256 schools** in **113 school districts** in Nebraska and western Iowa. Each Backpack is assembled by Food Bank volunteers.



The Mobile Pantry program delivers fresh and shelf-stable food directly to communities with a high need but limited food resources. These one-day, drive-through distributions are free to attend. Community packs include various shelf-stable items. Along with community packs, other items distributed can include assorted produce, bread, dairy products, and meat. In FY 2021, the Food Bank hosted **389 mobile pantries** in 28 counties, distributing more than **3.9 million meals** and helping **71,576 Heartland households**.



Kids Café is one of the nation's largest free-meal service programs for at-risk children and serves evening meals to children in partnership with organizations that offer a safe environment after school. In FY 2021, the Food Bank provided an average of **1,042 meals** each week to **9 Kids Café sites** around the Omaha metro area.



In FY 2021, Food Bank for the Heartland's Summer Feeding program, which includes our Mobile Backpack and Kids Cruisin' Kitchen programs, provided **125,327 critical and healthy meals** to children during the summer when school was out of session.



SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) Outreach is a cooperative effort through Food Bank for the Heartland, Food Bank of Lincoln and the Iowa Food Bank Association. These institutions are equal-opportunity providers and help families navigate eligibility requirements and apply for valuable nutrition assistance. Outreach specialists helped **10,418 Nebraska households** and **13,061 Iowa households** apply for benefits in FY 2021. Moody's Analytics estimates that \$1 in SNAP benefits generates \$1.70 in economic activity at local retailers.



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I went to your pantry for my mother-in-law who recently went through chemo and radiation. She was thrilled. It was like Christmas time, and she was so excited to see what was in each box. Thank you!

Mobile Pantry Participant

Without SNAP (the only assistance which I receive), I would not be alive today. It allowed me to purchase nutritious food as needed to treat my mental health problems.

SNAP Program Participant



How Food Banking Works at Food Bank for the Heartland

DONORS



Individuals, businesses, foundations, governments, and other organizations donate food, funds, and volunteer time. The Food Bank also purchases food to meet the high need.

FOOD BANK



The Food Bank collects, stores, and prepares food for distribution to 589 Network Partners in 93 counties across Nebraska and western Iowa.

NETWORK PARTNERS



The Food Bank distributes food to pantries, shelters, meal providers, mobile pantries, and child nutrition programs.

THOSE WHO NEED FOOD



Families, children, seniors, and adults receive critical nutrition that helps them thrive.

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