



Thurston County Food Bank

Report to the Community - March 2019

Our Mission: To eliminate hunger within our community



OUR PHILOSOPHY: WE BELIEVE THAT THE HUNGRY MUST BE FED IN AN ATMOSPHERE OF NEIGHBOR HELPING NEIGHBOR

From the Executive Director

Thank you

Thank you for taking time to review our Report to the Community. Working together during 2018 we made significant changes in how we help our clients with the rollout of our new client database system. We also dedicated more space to our clients at the service center and broke ground with the community sponsored Lacey's Food Bank.

In addition to these changes, the Food Bank continues to serve hungry families between distribution, senior days, and baby days. While the economy may be chugging along for...

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2018 Partner Program

Helping Rural Programs

2018 marked the third anniversary of the opening of TCFB's Tumwater Warehouse and Distribution Center (WDC). The addition of this 20,000 square foot facility opened many doors to the organization's goal of becoming a regional distribution center. Having ample warehouse space makes it possible for TCFB to accept large donations from retail food distribution centers. These large-scale donations, which were previously beyond our ability to store, are an invaluable resource to the

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2018 Benchmarks

Client Distribution

The Food Bank served 16,325 households and 57,251 individuals in 2018, an increase of 3% over 2017. A total of 66,213 food bags were distributed through the ForKids Backpack program. We reached 3,530 children during the previous calendar year. ForKids provides food across 5 school districts, 7 Head Start classes, and 33 elementary schools.

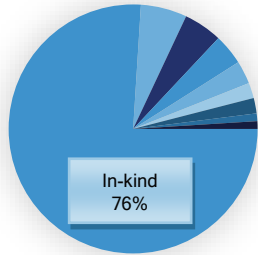


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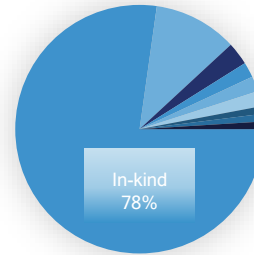
Income & Expenses

2018 Income
(unaudited totals)



- In-Kind Donated, 76%
- Private Donations, 6%
- Grant Income, 5%
- Contracts, 4%
- Business, 3%
- Organizations & Schools, 2%
- Investments, 2%
- Gov. Employee Campaigns, 1%

2018 Expenses
(unaudited totals)



- In-Kind Used & Distributed, 78%
- Program Staff Salaries & Benefits, 11%
- Purchased Food, 3%
- Admin. Salary & Benefits, 2%
- Operations, 2%

Volunteers

Make it all possible. The programs we host, meals we provide, bags we prepare could not happen without the efforts made across this community. We Thank You for your continual support. You are an invaluable asset in fulfilling our mission to feed our neighbors.

NUMBER OF HOURS SERVED BY VOLUNTEERS

Year	Volunteer Hours Served
2018	75,986
2017	69,114
2016	60,293

Where do our volunteers come from across the community?

EVERYWHERE!

TYPES OF VOLUNTEERS

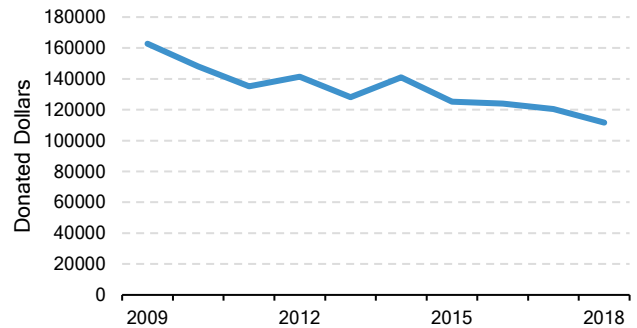
Type of Volunteers	Number of average Volunteers per Month	Number of Service Hours Annually
Community Volunteers	702	60,283
Board Members	11	361
Community Service	6	925
RSVP	26	5,505
Church Groups	47	1,277
Youth Groups	222	7,644

Combined Fund Drive

Donations from the state of Washington's workplace campaign continued to decline with a 7.3% year over year decrease from 2017. The Food Bank saw a decline in both pledges and one-time gifts.

Support from workplace campaigns continues to trend downward. One bright spot is the upward trend of 9% increase in participants in the Well Fed, Well Read campaign.

CFD Donations (\$)



ForKids Backpack Program

FORKIDS STATS

Number of children served	3,530
Number of volunteers	2,322
Number of Winter Break Bags	1,497
Number of Summer Weekend Bags	832
Number of Fresh Produce bags	4,077
Number of bags distributed	66,213
Number of meals	97,840
Total costs to provide all bags	\$424,422

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families we serve. These donations include tens of thousands of pounds of frozen meat, fresh produce, deli items, healthy snacks, and holiday-themed foods (which we save to pack into Thanksgiving boxes). Because of the volume of food donations available, in 2018 it became possible to expand our distribution network to Lewis and Mason Counties.

We accomplished this by launching a new initiative, our Partner Program. The Partner Program provides a weekly food order form to meal programs and food pantries in Thurston, Lewis, and Mason Counties. Agencies simply mark down which items they need for their programs, and their order is assembled and ready for pickup at the WDC the following week.

Now in its 15th month of operation, the Partner Program serves 16 agencies. Four are located in Mason County, two in Lewis County, and one in Rochester. Rural food pantries and meal programs often do not have means of accessing the bounty of food donations available in urban areas. TCFB's Partner Program is now bridging that gap, creating an easy and accessible resource for these programs to pick up the food they need to serve their clientele.

The program distributed 76,900 pounds of food in 2018.



Neighbors helping neighbors

FEDERAL FOODS

POUNDS OF FEDERAL FOODS PER HOME

	Pounds distributed	Households	Lbs per home
2018	436,281	20,743	21.03

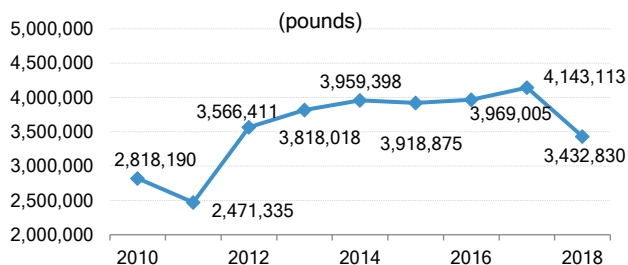
In addition to the foods purchased and those donated locally, we distributed 436,281 pounds of Federal Commodities. The types of foods in this program have changed a lot over the years. In 2018, we saw whole grain pasta, raisins, canned salmon and stew, shelf-stable milk along with canned fruits/vegetables. On average families received over 21 pounds each month in 2018.

WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUAL SUPPORT

IN-KIND DONATIONS

Donated food encompasses food drives conducted by individuals, public and private businesses, and schools. Community collections come in on a regular basis from local churches and neighborhood associations. Additional food comes from grocery distribution centers, local stores, restaurants and school cafeterias. The variety of sources for our food supports the many food programs employed across the community.

Progression of In-Kind Food



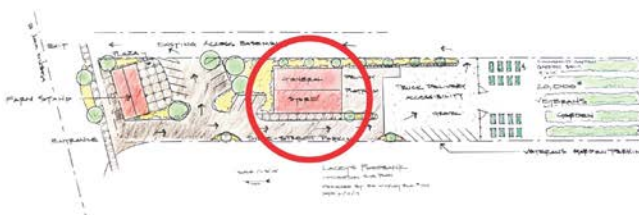
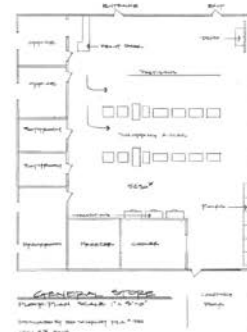
OUR CLIENTS

Our clients represent many ethnicities, genders, and ages. They are unemployed, full-time, and part-time employed. Many are retired or are students.



Lacey's Food Bank: Final Phase

Finish Refurbishing & Grand Opening Remodel of the Second Building as the General Store



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...there are many in our community that rely on the services that we provide.

We are reaching past county lines and supporting rural communities, delivering senior boxes to Lewis County, and utilizing our warehouse for food recovery programs unseen in our history as a food pantry.

We could not do this without a community that continues to show their generous spirit. In addition, this work is not possible without our donors, our small staff, and our teams of dedicated volunteers.

We thank all of you for your kindness and support.

Respectfully,
Robert Coit
Executive Director

"We could not do this work without a community that continues to show their generous spirit."

The mission of the Food Bank is to end hunger in our community, and to some extent we are able to meet this goal each and every day.

