

Filling hungry tummies.



We're filling hungry tummies.

When our stomachs rumble from hunger, most of us easily can do something about it – grab a snack or head out for lunch. Every day, thousands of people in southeast Texas don't have that option. They face difficult decisions about how to keep food on the table, shuffling expenses to keep a roof over their heads, keep the lights on, get the medicine they need, or scrape up money for transportation. They wrestle with food insecurity: uncertainty about getting enough nutritious food for a healthy life. And "they" could be someone you know – a neighbor who's had long-term unemployment or a medical crisis.

The Houston Food Bank (HFB) and our network of partners offer solutions to hunger. Together, we provided 83 million nutritious meals to struggling families and individuals last year – fresh meat and produce, dairy products and other healthy foods for people of all ages.

In fiscal year 2016-2017, the Food Bank expanded our capacity to nourish our youngest neighbors. Thanks to the generosity of donors, we built and opened a larger kitchen equipped to prepare and distribute up to 20,000 meals a day. Keegan Kitchen powers our Kids Cafe program, feeding kids year-round through partners who run after-school programs or summer feeding sites.



Impact

The Houston Food Bank positively impacts the lives of many southeast Texans in our 18-county service area every day. During the 2016 – 2017 fiscal year, we and all of our supporters worked hard to keep leading the fight against hunger by serving 800,000 individuals. Because people often have to make difficult choices between feeding themselves and their families and paying for other necessities, food assistance can lift a big weight from their shoulders.

With your help, we are not only filling pantries, but also filling lives.

The Food Bank's Contribution to the Community



83 million nutritious meals provided



600 partner **agencies** work with the food bank to provide food to people throughout our 18-county service area



3.4 million meals provided to kids through our Backpack Buddy and Kids Cafe programs



42 million pounds of fresh **produce** provided



15 million SNAP meals provided



800,000 individuals served

Because of You



512,000 hours of volunteer time, equivalent to **246** full time **employees**



80,000 individual people volunteered



Volunteers produced 1 meal each minute







1 dollar provides three meals





40% of what we distribute is **fresh produce**







Keegan Kitchen: Cooking Up Good Food That's Good for Kids

Addressing child hunger is a top strategic priority at the Houston Food Bank (HFB). HFB solidified and strengthened our commitment to feeding kids in 2016-2017 by building and opening our new Keegan Kitchen. The kitchen's primary purpose is to supply meals for our Kids Cafe program.

The new facility is 10,000 square feet, stocked with state-of-the-art equipment for large-scale production. It was planned for a maximum capacity of 20,000 meals a day, a number for the future. In 2016-2017, on a typical day we produced roughly 5,000 meals, for a total of 718,614 during the year. Meals are packaged in compartmented trays and delivered to sites at a safe serving temperature.

Facts That Keep Us Cooking



in 4 children in southeast Texas is at risk of going to bed hungry.

60% of kids rely on free and reduced-price school meals during the school year.

> 6 out of 7 these kids don't have access to meals in the summer.

Kids Cafe ABCs

Kids Cafe, like everything else at the Houston Food Bank, is based on partnerships. We provide nutritious meals for kids on weekdays through social service programs, schools and other nonprofit organizations that provide programming for children. Menus are created by a collaboration between chefs and dietitians who are passionate about producing high quality, appealing fare. Freshly prepared daily, the meals routinely include fresh produce - a big hit with the kids.

From September through May, we partner with after-school enrichment programs to serve late afternoon meals to low-income children. Many of these children would otherwise go home with no prospects for dinner. In 2016-2017, we served on average 4,774 children at 70 sites, funded through the federal CACFP (Child and Adult Care Feeding Program).

The numbers go up significantly during the summer, when children lose access to school lunches. Summer partners expand to include locations



where kids can find activities or companionship while school is out. In 2016-2017, we served a peak number of 3 8,967 children at 143 sites, funded through the federal SFSP (Summer Food Service Program).

2016-2017 Highlights (cont'd)



Farewell to an Old Friend HFB sold the original Kitchen facility, named for Mary Barden Keegan, founder of the End Hunger Network, which merged with the Food Bank in 2008. We honor Mary's legacy by carrying her name into the future at 535 Portwall.



Dedicated to Feeding Kids Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee and Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner (center) honored HFB at the formal opening of the Keegan Kitchen.





Volunteering to Fill Tummies The new Keegan Kitchen relies on volunteers to dish up meals and prepare fresh produce for the next day's recipes. The menu is designed to provide balanced nutrition, while appealing to young appetites.

"We've heard words like 'Yummy! This is really good!' It's not so much the words they say, but it's the clean trays we see that let us know the meals are a hit with our kids." Shonice, Buckner Family Hope Center at Aldine

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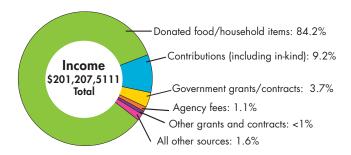
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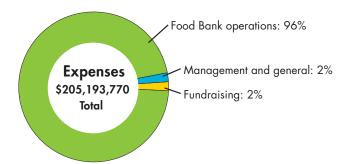


Income

Donated food/household items	\$169,573,696
Contributions (including in-kind)*	\$18,659,512
Government grants/contracts	\$7,485,006
Agency fees	\$2,218,162
Other grants and contracts	\$1,312,816
All other sources	\$3,308,408

^{*}includes kitchen capital campaign

How we use our resources

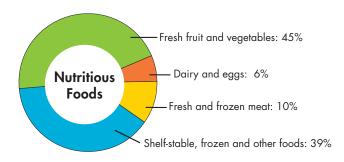


Expenses

Food Bank operations	\$197,023,907
Management and general	\$4,730,124
Fundraising	\$3,439,739

Ending net assets \$72,673,334

Nutritious food: Lots of fresh produce



Nutritious meals

82,562,788

Nutritious meals include nutritious food distributed in addition to meals made possible through SNAP benefits (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, formerly food stamps)



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