The need for food assistance has increased drastically as the COVID-19 situation has continued and Houston Food Bank’s response in the last few months demonstrates that. We will remain operational, while utilizing the best available safety precautions. We are adjusting daily to meet the needs of the community and adapting our logistics and operations to help people in the safest and most effective ways possible.

The Need:

3,218,308 people in our service area applied for unemployment benefits in April - November.

93% increase in number of households served on average each week.

The Response March - December 2020:

234,104,809 pounds of food and product distributed to our partners.

134,000 households served each week approximately on average.

936,419 pounds distributed on average for each distribution day.

98,905,164 pounds of produce distributed to the community.

1,281,439 meals delivered to homes made safely and with no contact with help of volunteers, staff, and partners including CrowdSource Rescue, TaskRabbit, and Amazon.

3,871,349 ready to eat meals distributed to kids in Kids Cafe.

295,476 food sacks distributed to kids through Backpack Buddy.

39,251 individuals volunteered their time to help Houston Food Bank sort, pack, and distribute food and product.

1 Texas Workforce Commission
2 Previous average daily output was 450,000 pounds.