houstonfoodbank COVID-19 Response

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.

March 2020 - September 2021:

**393,339,242 pounds of food**
and product distributed to our partners

**5,098,157 people**
in our service area
applied for unemployment benefits in April ‘20 - August ‘21

**24.83% increase in output**
of food and product March ‘20 - September ‘21 vs. March ‘19 - September ‘20

**69,459 individuals volunteered**
their time to help Houston Food Bank sort, pack, and distribute food and product

**829,829 pounds**
distributed on average for each distribution day

**149,007,242 pounds of produce**
distributed to the community

**2,095,660 meals delivered to homes**
made safely and with no contact with help of volunteers, staff, and partners including CrowdSource Rescue, TaskRabbit, and Amazon

**4,329,953 ready to eat meals**
distributed to kids in Kids Cafe

**498,940 food sacks**
distributed to kids through Backpack Buddy

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