



AKRON-CANTON REGIONAL

**FOOD  
BANK**

# *With Gratitude*

2019 ANNUAL REPORT



## Dear friends,

**Before we reflect on our work in 2019 throughout this report, it would be remiss of me to not acknowledge your relentless support of local hunger-relief efforts throughout the coronavirus pandemic. Thank you for your partnership during these unprecedented and challenging times. With your support, we're continuing to feed our neighbors who are experiencing hardships.**

Last year was an incredible year – we helped provide access to 25.2 million meals for our local community members and we sourced and distributed more than 6.7 million pounds of healthy, fresh produce.

Serving our dedicated network of hunger-relief partners, our free food distribution reached nearly 22 million pounds of food. We used our fundraising resources to secure and provide close to \$800,000 worth of food grant support for our partners, and we gave away \$200,000 worth of coolers, freezers and other essential non-food, capacity-building resources to help support our network.

That, my friends, is a busy year!

But it was also an especially significant year because, in addition to maximizing our core work, we launched Growing for Good: The Campaign to Reach Further and Feed More. This capital campaign will help us build an additional distribution center in Stark County and will fund a mission-critical expansion of the Akron facility.

We are closer than ever to achieving something truly monumental—putting a charitable food system in place that can change the history of hunger relief.

This is certainly an exciting time to be a part of the Foodbank's work as we invest in the emergency food network that will serve this community for generations to come. We want to thank you again for all your support in 2019. Your partnership and dedication to this Foodbank's hunger-relief efforts overwhelm me. We couldn't do this meaningful work without all of you. Thank you!



With gratitude,

*Daniel R. Flowers*

Daniel R. Flowers, *President & CEO*



*As I look back over the past year,  
I could not be prouder to be associated  
with the Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank.*

Under Dan Flowers' spirited leadership, his amazing team of employees have performed tremendous work to assist individuals in need. This cohesive group works in harmony, each day, to fulfill the Foodbank's vision of working toward a time when we have a thriving community free of hunger.

We achieved many milestones throughout the year, as noted within the pages of this annual report, none of which would have been made possible without the community's support. We all know the importance of working together and collaborating toward a common goal. This team could not serve its mission without its faithful volunteers and community partners who further the Foodbank's mission with generous donations of financial gifts and precious time. I am so grateful to all the Foodbank's advocates.

In a world that is changing right before our eyes, the one consistent reality is that hunger is among us - now more than ever. But, with the unwavering dedication of our Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank's team and our community partners, we are making great strides of impacting the difference between hunger and hope.

Together, we can reach further and feed more. Together, we can change the history of hunger in our community.



With gratitude,

*William C. Shivers*

William C. Shivers, *Chair, Board of Directors*

Thank you for making  
a significant impact in the  
lives of our neighbors.



Your Impact in 2019



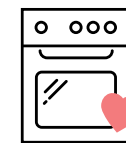
**25.2 million meals**

provided to the community



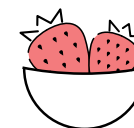
**32.4 million pounds**

of food and essential items distributed



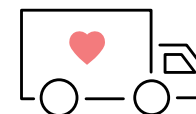
**\$993,356**

in capacity-building resources for  
hunger-relief partners



**6.7 million pounds**

of fresh, nutritious produce given to  
hunger-relief partners



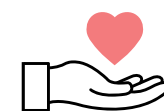
**143,000 miles**

driven by the Foodbank fleet to rescue  
and distribute food



**13,925 food boxes**

given to seniors through the Commodity  
Supplemental Food Program



**59,378 hours**

of volunteer service

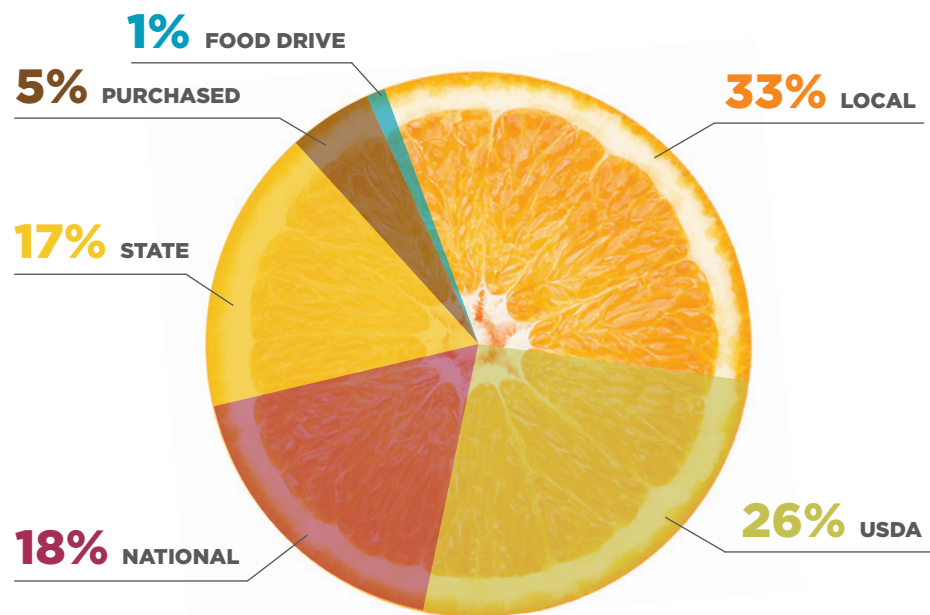
I truly appreciate  
the support given  
to families who are  
in need.

*With gratitude,*

**WILLY DANIELS**  
Food Program Recipient



## Where does our food come from?



**LOCAL:** Donations from supermarkets, retail partners and local manufacturers

**USDA:** Federal products received through The Emergency Food Assistance Program, the Commodity Supplemental Food Program and USDA trade mitigation

**NATIONAL:** Feeding America, the nation's largest domestic hunger-relief organization, helps manage national relationships with donors like Kellogg's and Kraft

**STATE:** Excess agricultural products are purchased from Ohio farmers with taxpayer dollars through The Ohio Agricultural Clearance Program

**PURCHASED:** Some products are purchased to supplement other items in inventory or to offer fresh produce in the colder months

**FOOD DRIVE:** Donations are collected by community members on behalf of the Foodbank

## Thank you to the dedicated food donors who help stock our shelves.

**The Foodbank is extremely grateful for its partnerships with local retailers and grocery stores.**

Through food donations, monetary contributions, volunteer support and board leadership, local retailers prove year after year how deeply committed they are to combating hunger and food insecurity. In 2019, Giant Eagle, its staff and customers contributed \$327,364 and 837,000 pounds of food to the Foodbank—the equivalent of more than 2 million meals.

It's clear that giving back to the local community is a cornerstone of Giant Eagle's

culture. As a food retailer, they have a passion for supporting organizations that help our neighbors in need put food on the table.

*"We believe that strengthening our communities lifts us all up but, more simply, is just the right thing to do,"* said Dan Donovan, the senior director of corporate communications.

Our ability to partner together to feed families is inspiring for me and our Team Members.

*With gratitude,*

**BILL ARTMAN**  
Foodbank Board Member  
Senior VP, Retail Operations  
Giant Eagle & Market District





If we can put food in someone's hand who's in a low point in their life, it's fulfilling for me to help.

*With gratitude,*

**DAVE RICHEY**  
Community Harvest Program Volunteer

## Because of our committed partners and volunteers, food is being *rescued* rather than thrown out.

**The Foodbank is committed to rescuing food and getting it into the hands of the children, families and seniors struggling with hunger.**

In addition to accepting shelf-stable products, the Foodbank obtains prepared and perishable food donations from restaurants, grocery stores, banquet facilities, events, etc. These items are rescued through the Agency Direct Pickup program (ADP), Community Harvest program and the Starbucks FoodShare program.

ADP empowers hunger-relief partners to pick up food donations directly from a donor. This innovative distribution model helps partners with limited storage receive products just prior to their distribution.

The Foodbank's Community Harvest program and the Starbucks FoodShare program rely on volunteer drivers to collect perishable donations and deliver them directly to hunger-relief programs.



### **The Starbucks FoodShare program began at the Foodbank in 2017.**

The program allows Starbucks stores to donate its surplus food to help people facing hunger. "Each Starbucks store is part of a community, and we're committed to strengthening neighborhoods wherever we do business," said Jane Maly, senior manager of global responsibility.

"This program is one way we are supporting our community and living our mission to inspire and nurture the human spirit — one person, one cup and one neighborhood at a time," said Jane.



# The generosity of leaders in our region helps eliminate the difficult choices families are often forced to make.

**The Foodbank is extremely grateful for the support it receives from organizations and businesses within the community. These partnerships are invaluable to our hunger-relief efforts. Volunteer support, leadership on our board of directors, financial contributions, food and funds drive leaders - we couldn't do this work without their support.**

The FirstEnergy Foundation has been a long-time advocate of the Foodbank. For nearly 20 years, FirstEnergy has integrated the Foodbank into its larger, sustained commitment to hunger relief. It has worked hard to improve the vitality of the communities where its customers, employees and their families live and work.

“By supporting the Foodbank and ensuring access to nutritious food for all, we can transform our community and give every individual the chance to succeed,” said Lorna.

“The Foundation cares deeply about collaborating with vital organizations to enable positive, sustainable changes that make our communities stronger and improve the quality of life for residents,” said Lorna Wisham, president of FirstEnergy Foundation and vice president of corporate affairs and community involvement for FirstEnergy.

The organization, its leadership and employees are committed to helping provide access to food for people facing hunger. In 2019, FirstEnergy employees helped provide the equivalent of 725,000 meals for our local community.



I wish we could end hunger forever, but any effort toward that goal is worth supporting.

*With gratitude,*

**LORNA WISHAM**  
President  
FirstEnergy Foundation





Our work at the Foundation to combat food insecurity in Stark County has opened our eyes to the number of people struggling through no fault of their own.

*With gratitude,*

**MARK SAMOLCZYK**  
President & CEO  
Stark Community Foundation

## Together, we will change the history of hunger relief in our community.

**The Foodbank is committed to providing enough food for all who need it. We have quantified the Meal Gap, which is the difference between the number of meals our community needs, and the number of meals that can be accessed. In order to meet the Meal Gap entirely, we must first increase our capacity; we must grow.**

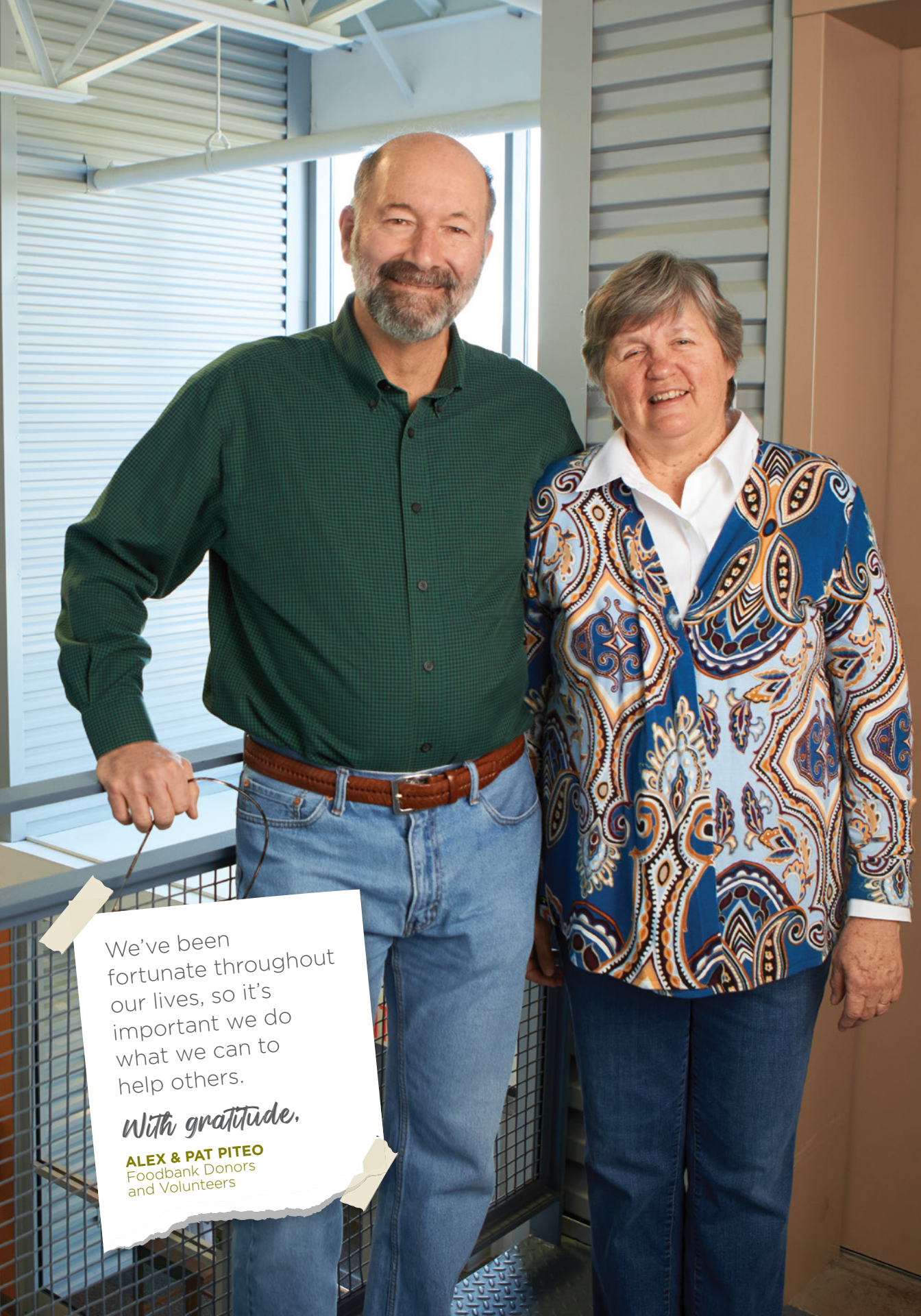
2019 was a significant year for the Foodbank. It secured 66 percent of its \$11.5 million capital campaign goal, Growing for Good: The Campaign to Reach Further and Feed More. The campaign will help build a new distribution center in Stark County and will fund a mission-critical expansion of the Akron facility.

Stark Community Foundation has been a supporter of the Foodbank for more than 30 years. By supporting the Foodbank, the Foundation can make a larger impact in Stark County because they aren't simply supporting one hunger-relief organization, but the Foodbank's entire Stark County network of 117 food programs. The Foundation granted its largest board-directed gift ever— \$1 million— to the Foodbank in 2019 in support of Growing for Good.



Please visit [Growing4Good.org](https://growing4good.org) to learn more about our capital campaign.





We've been fortunate throughout our lives, so it's important we do what we can to help others.

*With gratitude,*

**ALEX & PAT PITEO**  
Foodbank Donors  
and Volunteers

## Your investment in local hunger relief efforts helps fuel our vision of a hunger-free future.

**More than 10 years ago, Alex and Pat Piteo decided to focus their philanthropic efforts on organizations in their own backyard that are providing services in key areas.**

They were familiar with the Foodbank through their employers' fundraising efforts and knew they could make a significant impact on hunger relief.

After contributing financially for so many years, Alex decided he'd volunteer with the Foodbank once he retired, and he's been a diligent and hard worker ever since.

"I've met a lot of good people through the Foodbank, and we always have a great time," said Alex.



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### Volunteers are vital to our efforts! *They help us...*



Sort & repack food donations



Pick up & deliver food donations around the clock



Volunteer within our network of hunger-relief partners



Assist with administrative tasks and office projects



Plan & lead special events



Serve families directly at Neighborhood Distributions

# We're so grateful for the volunteers who give so selflessly of their time and talents.

In partnership with Akron Public Schools and The LeBron James Family Foundation, your Foodbank operates a food pantry within the I PROMISE School. The pantry, available to families of students, is managed by Foodbank staff and volunteers. Offering wraparound services and additional support within a school setting is an innovative approach to supporting the entire family.

Melody Wren found comfort in volunteering for the Foodbank seven years ago. At the time, she was struggling with grief and was looking to be a part of something positive while giving back to her community. Her weekly volunteer service quickly confirmed her dedication to local hunger-relief efforts. She was one of a few chosen to help operate the food pantry at the I PROMISE School.

Melody witnessed many families struggling to provide the basics for their children before retiring from Summit County Children

Services. She likes helping families navigate the pantry and enjoys hearing their delight at receiving the healthy and nourishing products.

"I'm thankful for the opportunity to be a servant in this community. I support the Foodbank and its work because it makes a difference in families' lives," said Melody.

## 2019 Volunteer Impact

**10,443**

volunteers

**59,378**

hours of service

**29**

full-time employees equivalent

**2,109,591**

meals processed through  
volunteer efforts





# We couldn't do this work without our hunger-relief partners—the first line of defense against hunger.

**We're proud to partner with approximately 500 food pantries, hot meal sites, shelters, backpack and afterschool programs, and other hunger-relief programs within our eight-county area. These committed partners serve our community members in neighborhoods where people need food.**

He Brought Us Out Ministries, located in the North Hill neighborhood of Akron, knows it is making a significant impact on people's lives. During a focus group comprised of food recipients, a man stated he was able to save up for and purchase much-needed medicine for his family because he can receive groceries at the ministry's pantry. "That was really powerful to hear," said Executive Director Gary Wyatt.

Once a month, the pantry opens its doors and serves approximately 100 families. In 2019, it helped provide 56,600 meals for nearly 4,000 people facing hunger. "The need is real. You can never give away enough food. We know that a kid can't learn and focus on an empty stomach."

He Brought Us Out Ministries was chosen to participate in the Voices project, a client-centered feedback program to help inform system improvements which was funded by the Huntington Akron Foundation. Foodbank staff helped facilitate focus groups and surveys to better understand a client's experience while at the pantry.

"We're all about making changes and improving the process for the better. People are already down; we're here to treat them with respect and give them incredible food," said Gary.

After evaluating client survey results and feedback, the pantry made a few key changes. With approximately 30 languages spoken in North Hill, language differences were a major barrier. Working with Foodbank staff, a video was created in English and Nepali to explain how the pantry operates. For non-English readers, signs using images were also created to enhance the process.

Gary and his team of volunteers are passionate about serving the people of North Hill. "If we can do just one thing to remove the stress or depression someone is feeling during this low time in their life, then we've done our part."



We've never seen anyone or any organization invest in treating people better.

*With gratitude,*

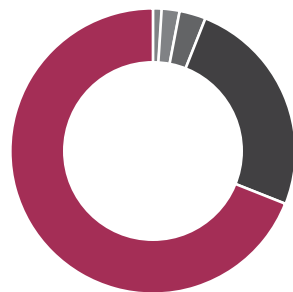
**GARY & PATRICIA WYATT**  
He Brought Us Out Ministries

We are committed to efficiently and effectively investing your donations in the fight against hunger.

92 percent of all financial and in-kind donations go directly to food programs and services.

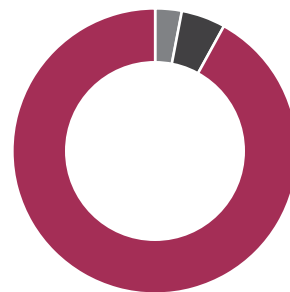
Financial transparency is important to us. Please visit our website for additional financial information.

[akroncantonfoodbank.org/resources](http://akroncantonfoodbank.org/resources)



### Revenue & Support

- 69%** In-Kind Donations
- 25%** Contributions & Cash Donations
- 3%** Program Fees
- 2%** Government
- 1%** Miscellaneous



### Expenses

- 92%** Program Services
- 5%** Fundraising Expenses
- 3%** Management & General Expenses

## Financials

Public Support	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Grants	\$ 504,188		\$ 504,188
USDA distribution fees	\$ 910,328		\$ 910,328
Donated food, net	\$ 37,964,112		\$ 37,964,112
Contributions	\$ 4,782,648	\$ 1,077,814	\$ 5,860,462
Capital campaign contributions & pledges*		\$ 7,497,301	\$ 7,497,301
Net assets released from restrictions	\$ 1,525,971	\$ (1,525,971)	\$ 0
<b>Total public support</b>	<b>\$ 45,687,247</b>	<b>\$ 7,049,144</b>	<b>\$ 52,736,391</b>

Revenue, Gains & Losses			
Purchase program, net	\$ 148,416		\$ 148,416
Shared maintenance	\$ 1,096,811		\$ 1,096,811
Fundraising events, net	\$ 252,351		\$ 252,351
Distribution fees	\$ 241,585		\$ 241,585
Freight income	\$ 25,350		\$ 25,350
Investment income	\$ 40,786	\$ 28,450	\$ 69,236
Net appreciation (depreciation) on investments	\$ 244,206	\$ 185,437	\$ 429,643
Miscellaneous	\$ 82,319		\$ 82,319
<b>Total revenue, gains &amp; losses</b>	<b>\$ 2,131,824</b>	<b>\$ 213,887</b>	<b>\$ 2,345,711</b>
<b>Total public support, revenue, gains &amp; losses</b>	<b>\$ 47,819,071</b>	<b>\$ 7,263,031</b>	<b>\$ 55,082,102</b>

Expenses			
Program services	\$ 43,675,088		\$ 43,675,088
Fundraising expenses	\$ 2,376,243		\$ 2,376,243
Management and general expenses	\$ 1,237,056		\$ 1,237,056
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>\$ 47,288,387</b>		<b>\$ 47,288,387</b>
Change in net assets	\$ 530,684	\$ 7,263,031	\$ 7,793,715
Net assets, beginning of year	\$ 9,497,541	\$ 1,879,386	\$ 11,376,927
Net assets, end of year	\$ 10,028,225	\$ 9,142,417	\$ 19,170,642

*Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank, Inc. and affiliated statement of activities for the year ended December 31, 2019*

\*In 2019, the Foodbank began fundraising for a \$11.5 million capital campaign that will fund the construction of an additional facility in Canton and an expansion at the Akron location. These key capital projects will address organizational capacity constraints and create new distribution points increasing access to nutritious food for the community. Learn more at [Growing4Good.org](http://Growing4Good.org).

# Hunger-Relief Partners

## CARROLL COUNTY

Camp NEOSA  
Carroll Co. Council on Aging  
Carroll Golden Age Retreat  
Harbor Point  
Hilltop Learning Center  
Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry  
Malvern Christian Care Center, Inc.  
Minerva Community Outreach at St. Paul's  
Minerva United Methodist Church  
Northeast Jefferson Food Pantry  
Riley's United Methodist Church/  
Three Loaves Food Pantry  
The Salvation Army (Minerva)  
True North Church

## HOLMES COUNTY

Berean Community Church Operation 612  
Darb Snyder Senior Center  
Kno Ho Co CAC Ashland Head Start  
Lakeville United Methodist Church  
Love Center Food Pantry  
Millersburg Church of God  
St. John's United Church of Christ-  
Glenmont Food Pantry

## MEDINA COUNTY

Battered Women's Shelter/Medina  
Brunswick Food Pantry  
Brunswick United Methodist Church  
Buckeye Christian Assembly  
Feeding Medina County  
First Baptist Church - Medina  
Helping Hands Ministry (Northside  
Christian Church)  
Holy Martyrs Catholic Church  
SVDP/ Sacred Heart  
Lafayette United Methodist Church  
Life Spring Community Church  
Living Hope Church/Medina  
Lodi Family Center  
Medina Police Activities League  
Newbridge Place  
Oaks Family Care Center - Brunswick  
Our Lady Help of Christian's  
Catholic Church  
Second Baptist Church Medina  
Seville United Methodist Church  
St. Ambrose Catholic Works of Mercy  
St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church  
St. Paul Lutheran Church  
St. Paul's Free Farmers Market  
The Salvation Army (Medina)  
York United Methodist Church

## PORTAGE COUNTY

Ben Curtis Family Foundation  
Black Horse Baptist Church  
Brimfield Community Cupboard, Inc.  
Catholic Charities Serving  
Portage and Stark County  
Christian Cupboard-Ravenna/  
Center of Hope  
Church of Christ/Ravenna  
Coleman Professional Services  
Community Action Council Youth Center  
Community Bible Church  
Community Food Pantry  
Crestwood 4Cs  
Kent Social Services  
Mantua Center Christian Church  
Miller Community House  
Nelson Garrettsville Community Cupboard  
Rahab Ministries Portage  
Randolph Suffield Atwater Food Shelf  
Raven Packs  
Renaissance Family Center  
of Windham, OH, Inc.  
Riverwood Community Chapel  
Safer Futures  
Streetsboro Community Pantry  
The Lord's Pantry (Trinity  
Lutheran Church)  
The Salvation Army (North East  
Portage Foodshelf)  
The Salvation Army (Ravenna)  
Upper Room Cultural Development Center  
Windham Bible Church  
Family & Community Services  
New Hope Baptist Church (Windham)

## STARK COUNTY

All Saints Temple COGIC  
Alliance Community Pantry Inc.  
Alliance for Children & Families  
Believer's Assembly Church  
Bolton United Methodist Church  
Boys & Girls Club of Massillon  
Canal Fulton Community Cupboard  
Canton Calvary Mission  
Canton Crossroads United Methodist  
Canton Friendship Center  
Catholic Charities Serving Portage  
and Stark County-Stark  
Central Baptist  
Chapel of the Cross UMC  
CommQuest Services Inc  
Community Drop In Center  
Community Life Development  
Community Restoration Centers,  
Inc. of Stark County

Deliverance Christian Ministry  
Domestic Violence Project, Inc  
EN-RICH-MENT  
Faith Kitchen  
Feed My Sheep/Alliance  
First Christian Church Massillon-Backpack  
First Christian Church/Canton  
First Immanuel UCC  
Grace Fellowship  
Grace United Church of Christ  
Helping Hands Network  
Hope Outreach Ministry of Stark County  
Interfaith Campus Ministry  
Jesus Christ People Care Center  
Lake Township FISH  
LifeHope Community Church  
Little Flower Emergency Food Pantry  
Louisville Community Cupboard  
Massillon Knights of Columbus  
Mt. Zion Community Church  
North Canton Church of Christ  
North Industry Christian Church  
PACE Inc.  
Pleasant Outreach Inc.  
Refuge of Hope  
River of Life Pantry  
Rivertree Christian Church  
S.A.L.T. Box Kitchen (St. John  
Lutheran Church)  
S.A.M. Center  
Salt & Light Ministry (Community  
Life COGIC)  
Serving Hands Ministries  
Sharing and Caring  
Sherrick Road Church of God  
St. Barbara's Food Pantry  
St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church  
St. John's United Church of Christ  
Stark County Hunger Task Force  
SVDP/ St. Joseph's Catholic Church  
SVDP/ St. Mary's Church  
T.O.S.M.  
The Hope Pantry/Calvary Temple  
Assembly of God  
The Salvation Army (Alliance)  
The Salvation Army (Canton)  
The Salvation Army (Massillon)  
Tiqvah Hands of Hope  
True North Church  
Union Baptist Church/Canton  
UrbanArk, Inc.  
Warriors Project  
Well of Hope Ministries  
Westbrook Park United Methodist Church  
YWCA Canton

Zion Lutheran Church North Canton  
The Apostolics of Canton  
Coleman Crisis Service  
The Summit  
Deliverance House II  
The Lenzy Family Institute  
Perry Helping Perry  
Domestic Violence Project Inc.  
3rd Street Community Church  
RAM Ministries  
Project REBUILD, Inc.  
Beacon Academy

## SUMMIT COUNTY

Access Inc.  
Akron Bible Church/Hope Cafe  
Akron Blind Center  
Akron Christian Reformed Church  
Akron Community Development  
Association - MBHG  
Akron Rotary Camp  
Akron Say No to Dope  
Akron Urban League  
Akron-Summit County Public Library  
ALPHA Nutrition Program  
Apostolic Church of Akron  
Arlington Memorial Baptist Church  
ASIA, Inc.  
Barberton Adventist Community Services  
Barberton Area Community Ministries  
Battered Women's Shelter  
Ben Curtis Family Foundation  
Bethany United Church of Christ  
Blessed Trinity Parish  
Blessings in a Backpack - Akron  
Blessings in a Backpack - Green  
Blick Clinic  
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Western Reserve  
Bread of Life (Heart of Christ Ministries)  
Brechtmacher House (First  
Church of God Tallmadge)  
Bulldog Bags, Inc.  
C.O.B. Outreach  
Calvary Apostolic Church of  
Akron/Love Thy Neighbor  
Catholic Charities Community  
Services of Summit County  
Celebration Church  
Centenary United Methodist Church  
Choices Community Social Center  
Christ The King  
Church of Christ/Cuyahoga Falls  
Church of Our Saviour  
Community Health Center  
Community Support Services  
Compass North Church  
Copley Road Community Center  
Cornerstone Chapel Foursquare Church  
Cornerstone Christian Assembly  
Cornerstone Church / City Lights  
Cutmar  
Cuyahoga Falls Good Neighbors

Eagle Ministries Chapel, Inc.  
Emmanuel Christian Assembly  
Faith Temple Church  
Family of Faith  
Family Resource Center  
Feed My Sheep/Bailey Road  
Christian Church  
Firestone Park United Methodist Church  
First Apostolic Faith  
First Baptist Church of Akron  
First Congregational Food Cupboard  
First Faith Development Corp  
First Glance Student Center  
First United Methodist Church  
Fish and Loaves Food Pantry  
Focus Community Development Corp  
Forest Hill Community Christian Church  
Gennesaret, Inc.  
Good Neighbors  
Good Samaritan Hunger Center  
Good Shepherd Christian Church  
Greek Orthodox Church of Annunciation  
Green Good Neighbors  
Harmony House, Inc  
Harvest Food Pantry  
He Brought Us Out Ministry  
Healing Vine Ministries  
Heart 4 The City  
Heart to Heart Ministries, Inc.  
Heaven's Gate Community Church  
Help Open Peoples Eyes (H.O.P.E.)  
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church  
Hudson Community Svc Assoc.  
I Promise School Pantry  
Immaculate Heart of Mary  
Interval Brotherhood Home  
JoAnn's Pantry  
Journey Covenant Church  
Kings Kitchen  
Lakemore United Methodist Church  
Lakeview Outreach Ministries  
Legacy III, Inc.  
Lockwood United Methodist Church  
Macedonia Baptist Church  
Middlebury Chapel Food Pantry  
Mountain of The Lord  
Mt. Olive Baptist Church/Akron  
Mt. Zion Baptist Church  
New Exodus Christian Fellowship Church  
New Hope Baptist Church  
New Life Missionary Baptist Church  
Nordonia Hills City Schools Foundation  
Northfield Presbyterian Church  
Norton Apostolic Christian Church  
Open Door Assembly of God  
OPEN M  
Our Community Hunger Center  
Pavilion of Praise Baptist Church  
Peter Maurin Center of Akron  
Phillips Chapel CME Church  
Prince of Peace Baptist Church  
Rahab Ministries

River of Life Assembly of God, Akron Inc.  
S.T.A.R.T. House  
Safe Landing  
Sarah's House  
Second Baptist Church  
Shelter Care  
South Akron Youth Mentorship  
South Arlington United Methodist Church  
South Street Ministries, Inc.  
Springtime of Hope  
St. Bernard Parish  
St. John The Baptist Catholic Church  
St. Paul Holiness Church Of God  
St. Paul Missionary Baptist  
Church - Feed My Sheep  
Students with a Goal (SWAG)  
Summit County Children Services  
SVDP - Fr. Hilkert Ozanam Center  
SVDP/ Immaculate Conception Church  
SVDP/ St. Hilary  
Tarry House  
The Celiac & Allergy Friendly  
Food Initiative  
The Church in Silver Lake  
The Emergency Assistance Center  
The Father's House  
The Homeless Charity  
The Salvation Army (Akron)  
The Salvation Army (Barberton)  
The Sanctuary  
The Word Church  
Tower of Prayer  
Truly Reaching You Ministry, Inc.  
Unitarian Universalist Church of Akron  
United Methodist Church of Macedonia  
United Presbyterian Church  
Unity Holiness Ministries  
Urban Vision  
Valor Home  
Vantage Aging  
Visitation of Mary  
Wonder World Child Development Center  
Word of Life Outreach Center  
LINKS Community & Family Services  
Pregnancy Choices  
SPAN Ministries (Shepherd's  
Pasture for All Nations)  
Ricky Powers Foundation  
YMCA  
Caring for Kids  
Kingdom Mission Outreach  
Crusades Baptist Church  
First Congregational Church Twinsburg  
Humility of Mary-Housing  
Faith in Christ  
Faith United Methodist  
Church of Twinsburg  
Broken Chains Ministry  
St. Barnabas Villa  
Good Shepherd Christian Church  
Copley Outreach Center  
Truth & Honor Inc.

Akron Pregnancy Services  
The Salvation Army (University of Akron)  
The Steel Academy  
Riverside Alliance Church/Backpack

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Advocacy, Choices & Empowerment Inc. (ACE)  
Blessings in a Backpack-New Philadelphia  
Dover Church of Christ - Backpack  
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Greater Dover New Philadelphia Food Pantry  
Harbor House  
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Harcatus Nutrition Division  
Journey's End Ministries  
Lifeway Church  
Recovery Point

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The Carpenter's Cupboard  
The Salvation Army (Dover)  
Twin City Christian Service Center Inc.  
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### WAYNE COUNTY

Beacon House/OneEighty  
Catholic Charities-Liberty Prep School Program  
Christian Harbor Church  
Community Action/Wayne-Medina  
Crown Hill Mennonite Church  
Dalton Baptist Church  
Doylestown Community Food Cupboard  
Eastern Road Church of God Food Ministry  
Every Woman's House

Friendship Meals Inc.  
Hands of Grace United Pentecostal Church  
New Beginnings Crossroads Fellowship Church  
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People to People Ministries  
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FirstEnergy Corp.  
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### \$25,000+

Akron Children's Hospital  
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# Foodbank Major Partners

**VISIONARY PARTNERS**

1 million+ meals

The County of Summit  
 Giant Eagle  
 Walmart

**LEADERSHIP PARTNERS**

200,000+ meals

Akron Beacon Journal  
 ALDI  
 Anonymous  
 Buehler's Fresh Foods  
 Case Farms  
 Costco  
 Coca Cola Bottling Co  
 Dunkin & Joy in Childhood  
 Foundation  
 FirstEnergy Corp.  
 GAR Foundation  
 GateHouse Media Ohio  
 GOJO Industries, Inc.  
 The Goodyear Tire & Rubber  
 Company  
 Heinen's Fine Foods  
 Huntington National Bank  
 iHeart Media  
 Keith D. Monda  
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 Nationwide Insurance  
 PGA Tours, Inc & Bridgestone Senior  
 Players Tournament  
 Pepsi Bottling Company  
 Portage Lakes Polar Bear Club  
 Sam's Club  
 Shearer's Snacks  
 Starbucks  
 Target  
 The J.M. Smucker Company  
 United Healthcare of Ohio  
 US Foods  
 Westfield

**MISSION PARTNERS**

80,000+ meals

Akron Area Interfaith Council  
 Akron Children's Hospital  
 Akron Community Foundation  
 Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank  
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 American Wood Reface  
 Anonymous  
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 BJ's Wholesale Club  
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 Health Foundation of Greater  
 Massillon  
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 Marc's  
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**COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

40,000+ meals

Anonymous (2)  
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 Wellness Fnd.  
 Avalon Foodservice  
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 Synthomer Foundation  
 Roetzel & Andress  
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# With your help, families can overcome hunger and find financial stability.

Establishing strategic partnerships with local stakeholders is key in the Foodbank's mission to feed more people. The relationships forged between the Foodbank and our passionate and committed Major Partners are vital to our community's collective wellbeing. Thank you, Major Partners, for continuing to make a difference!

## VISIONARY PARTNERS

1 million+ meals



## LEADERSHIP PARTNERS

200,000+ meals





# Our Mission

To lead a collaborative network that empowers people to experience healthy and hunger-free lives. We distribute food to feed people and we advocate, engage and convene our community in the fight to end hunger.

# Our Vision

A thriving community free of hunger.

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