

Your Local Food Bank



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Our Mission is to Alleviate Hunger in the Inland Empire

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CEO CORNER



Dear Friends,

COVID-19 has impacted our daily lives much longer than any of us could have anticipated. It's been said that wearing masks and maintaining 6 feet apart will soon become our new normal. While this "new normal" has been anything but normal, we are thankful that our food bank has been able to assist so many during this pandemic. The food bank has experienced an unprecedented increase in the number of people assisted and the amount of food distributed in our region.

However, none of this would have been possible without people like *you*.

You stood up to the call and helped us serve over 300 homebound residents weekly. You came out to our emergency food distributions and helped us provide food to our neighbors in need. You made donations to our food bank, enabling us to respond to the increased demand. You sent notes of encouragement and prayers to our team.

From the bottom of our hearts, *thank you*. We are grateful to be a part of the I.E. community and for your support.

We look forward to days where smiles can be shared without masks, but until then, please know that we appreciate you. May you and your loved ones stay safe and healthy.

In Gratitude,

Stephanie Otero

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CEO & Hunger Advocate

**SUPPORT
YOUR LOCAL
FOOD BANK**



Your support can be as easy as putting a lawn sign in front of your home or business! Come pick one up for FREE outside our warehouse located at 2950 Jefferson St. Riverside, CA 92504 and help spread the word in your community!

HOMEBOUND EMERGENCY



RESPONSE OUTREACH

In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, we reallocated many of our resources to ensure that we could safely get food to our most vulnerable neighbors. Amongst the many changes we made, we launched the now permanent program:

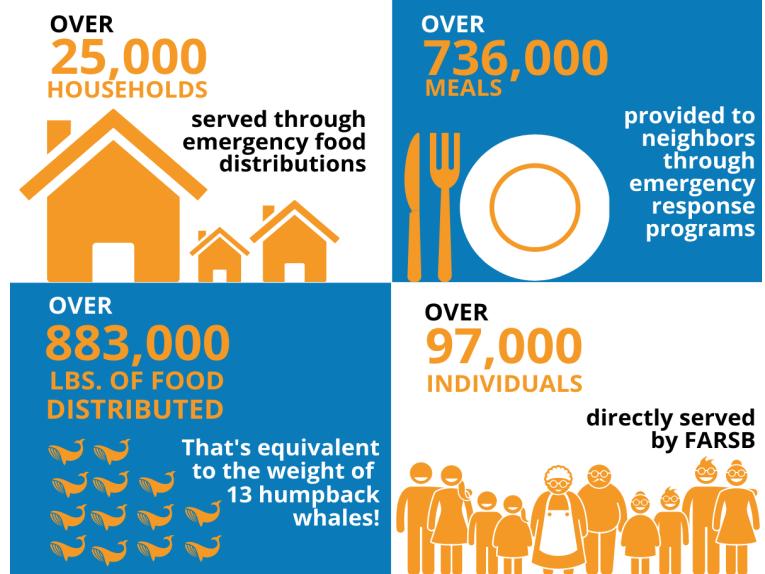
HERO (Homebound Emergency Response Outreach).

Not only are we proud to have fed thousands of community members in need through this program in just a matter of a few months, but we are so fortunate to have received a grant from a generous donor that allowed us to purchase and custom wrap a brand-new refrigerated vehicle to safely distribute food to our most vulnerable neighbors!

We are thankful for the support in launching this program!

If you would like to be a HERO and volunteer to assist with home-bound deliveries, please visit www.FeedingIE.org/volunteer!

OUR COVID-19 RESPONSE



Text ORANGE to 71777 to help provide



ENDING SUMMER HUNGER

Summer is the hungriest time of the year. Children who normally receive free or reduced lunch during the school year have to work harder than before just to get a single meal. 1 in 5 children struggle with food insecurity in the Inland Empire, and because of COVID-19, it is expected that 1 in 2 children will experience hunger through this crisis. You can help provide summer meals to children who have been faced by the repercussions of the pandemic.

We are working hard to ensure that children within Riverside, San Bernardino, Rialto and Chaffey Unified school districts receive a box of 20+ pounds of fruits and vegetables to enjoy with their families when they leave their school meal sites during the week. This ensures that anyone in the household can continue to get the proper nutrients their bodies need even with limited funds. Help ensure no child or family in need goes hungry this summer!

- \$10 can feed a child for up to 26 days.
- \$20 can feed a family of four for up to 2 weeks.
- \$90 can feed a family of four for up to 60 days of summer.

For more information, visit www.FeedingIE.org/summerhunger or donate via the enclosed envelope!

CALFRESH APPLICATION ASSISTANCE



If you are, or know someone, who may qualify for CalFresh benefits, give us a call at (951) 359-4757 or visit www.FeedingIE.org/calfresh! Our team is eager to help you get the resources that you need to get through this difficult time.

FARSB's CalFresh Outreach Program is supported by Health Net's Strategic Giving and Community Engagement Program. Throughout the year, Health Net partners with community-based organizations, local providers, and government agencies across California to provide health care solutions in under-served communities-- all as part of their mission to transform the health of the community, one person at a time. Our Health Net grant of \$50,000 is vital to ensuring families in need have the guidance needed to apply for CalFresh benefits, so give us a call today!

THANK YOU TO OUR NEW M4M MEMBERS

Join the Meals for Many (M4M) monthly giving club for a shout out in our next newsletter!

Alison Gillison	Irene Schorr
Arnita Fike	Janelle Guerrero
Audrey Rodarte	Janet Gagner
Brian Swney	Jean Texera
Brian Grant	Jiasi Chen
Brian Davenport	John Gardner
Chhabhi Patel	John Martherus
Christina Manzano	Jonathan Snowiss
Christine Van Houten	Judith Whelchel
Dale Duggan	Katherine Herrera
Denise Kochis	Katherine Kinney
Don Sproul	Kelly Nordmeyer
Elizabeth Deleon	Kent Prigmore
Elizabeth Flynn	Kiate Elam
Emily Anderson	Kristine Anderson
Fengnan Zhang	Kristy Kirckpatrick
Fredric Hormann	Leslie & Mary Pirritano
Gabriel Alcaraz	Linda Gaylor
Grace Garner	Linda Morris
Hal Wingo	Lizabeth Reid
Henedina Rustia	Margaret Nunez

Maria Perez
Mark Tankersley
Martha Bedoy
Michael Trice
Michael Follett
Mu Aye
Nan Neighbours
Natalie Brasher
Ofelia Valdez-Yeager
Omar Rodriguez
Onalee Shinn
Patricia Bickel
Ramona Flores
Ray Hardwick
Rebecca Brown
Rick Knox
Robert Stauffer
Salina Tejeda



Sharmayne Lawson-Franklin
Siobhan Feeney
Song Bi
Sonia Parral
Stacey Rosen-Sturgis
Suzan Pechinko
Terralyn Schwartz
Tim Woolf
Tom Jamison
Venessa Solis
Veronica Martinez
Vicki Snyder
Victori Mcgruer
Yverne Price

VOLUNTEER SAFETY PROTOCOLS

In an effort to keep everyone safe amid COVID-19, your local food bank is following CDC guidelines on a daily basis.



OUR STAFF IS DISINFECTING ALL VOLUNTEER WORK AREAS BEFORE AND AFTER EACH SHIFT.



WE ARE WELCOMING IN A LIMITED NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS TO ENSURE WE ARE MAINTAINING SOCIAL DISTANCING.



OUR STAFF IS SCREENING EACH VOLUNTEER AND CHECKING TEMPERATURES AMONG OTHER SYMPTOMS.



EVERY VOLUNTEER AND STAFF MEMBER IS REQUIRED TO WEAR A MASK. GLOVES ARE ALSO PROVIDED TO EACH VOLUNTEER.



EVERY VOLUNTEER IS REQUIRED TO WASH THEIR HANDS BEFORE AND AFTER EACH SHIFT.

Provide summer meals to children in need!

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Feeding America Riverside | San Bernardino (FARSB) is leading the fight against hunger in the Inland Empire by providing food access, emergency relief, education, and advocacy for families in Riverside and San Bernardino Counties. FARSB opened in 1980 as Survive Food Bank in response to the increasing concern about the dual problems of hunger and food waste in the Inland Empire. Today, FARSB is the primary source of food to over 250 local nonprofit organizations, distributing over two million pounds of food monthly to emergency food pantries, homeless shelters, soup kitchens, high-need elementary schools, senior centers, residential treatment centers, and after school programs. With the help of these charity partners, FARSB makes up the largest hunger-relief organization in the Inland Empire, making food security a reality for over 1.2 million people every year.

DONATE DURING YOUR VOLUNTEER SHIFT AND RECEIVE A GIFT!



When you make a gift during your volunteer shift, you'll receive a gift! With a minimum donation, you can pick from a variety of items, including shirts, hats, and aprons. Inquire during your next volunteer shift.

Sign up for your next shift at www.FeedingIE.org/volunteer.