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West Ohio Food Bank

Ending Hunger Together



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A LETTER FROM THE CEO

A family experiencing food insecurity is often struggling to pay for rent, utilities, medical care and other essential needs—and making difficult tradeoffs that compromise their health while perpetuating a vicious cycle of instability. Together with our partner agencies, the West Ohio Food Bank is working to help people overcome food insecurity and trying to find their way to self-sufficiency. Distributing food and grocery items to people in need through food pantries and meal programs that serve children, adults, veterans, families, and seniors enables the client to take dollars that would be used to purchase food, to be put toward paying rent/mortgages, utilities, and strengthening our economy.

West Ohio Food Bank is addressing hunger by increasing awareness and educating the public about hunger; connecting clients with federal benefits; collaborating with charitable partners at the local level to increase client stability; and, advocating for federal and state programs and policies that support low-income individuals.

While the need in our communities remains high, your support this year enabled the West Ohio Food Bank to make an impact on our neighbors who struggle with hunger. Without generous donors, volunteers and advocates who invest in our mission, none of this would be possible. Thank you!

Linda Hamilton, CEO

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WHO IS WEST OHIO FOOD BANK?

Mission Statement

Everyone should have access to healthy, nutritious food. Together with our partners, we provide nutritious food to those in need.



Vision Statement

Ending Hunger Together

West Ohio Food Bank is the largest food distribution system in West Central Ohio coordinating collecting, warehousing, and distributing food to its network of partner agencies that include:

- ✚ Emergency food pantries
- ✚ Mobile food pantries
- ✚ Meal sites
- ✚ Shelters
- ✚ After school, rehab programs
- ✚ Backpack programs
- ✚ Senior distribution sites



WEST OHIO FOOD BANK'S NETWORK

Through the efforts of staff, donors, partners, advocates, volunteers, educators and countless individuals and corporations, we can improve food security among the people we serve.

Together we lead the charge to solve hunger and every day we respond to the hunger crisis in our service area by seeking to provide nutritious food to people in need through our regional network of partner agencies.

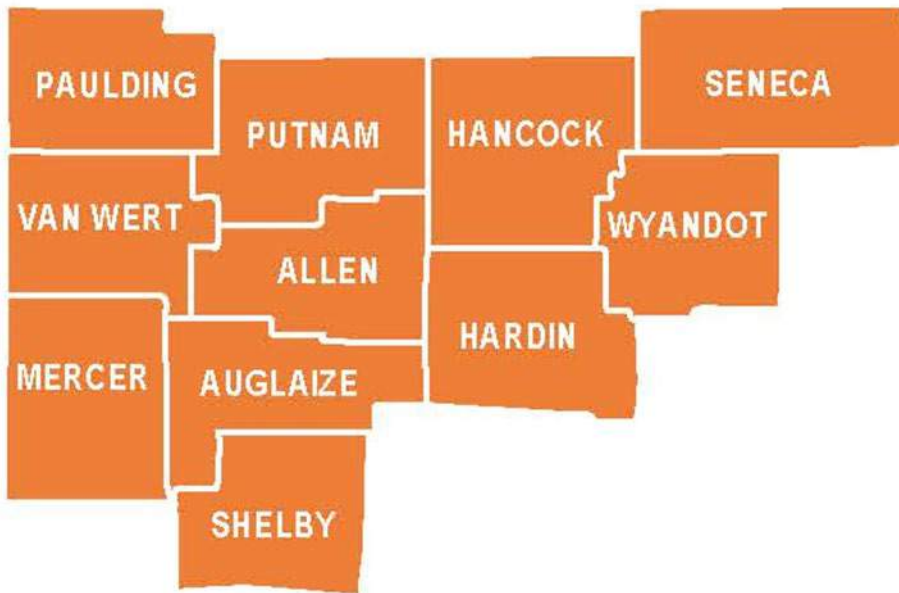
In the fiscal year 2017 - 2018, West Ohio Food Bank, along with its partner agencies, and the many volunteers who assist us each day, helped to provide 5,492,908 meals and distributed 6,591,489 pounds of food to people struggling with hunger in the communities we live and work in.

West Ohio Food Bank is a member of numerous organizations. Below are a few examples:

- ✚ **Feeding America**- Our national affiliate and nation's largest domestic hunger-relief organization.
- ✚ **Ohio Association of Food Banks**- Administers the Agriculture Clearance Program (fresh produce), Ohio Food Program (Shelf Stable Foods), and advocates on behalf of the 12 food banks in the State of Ohio.
- ✚ **Ohio Department of Job and Family Services** – Assist in coordination of funding for the Senior Box Program, Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) and the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Commodities for our partner agencies.
- ✚ **American Institute of Baking (AIB)** – Third party audit that empowers clients worldwide to elevate their food safety and production process capabilities by developing and delivering application – oriented learning, consulting, and value-added services.



WHO DO WE SERVE?



How Does it Work?



A Vision for the Future

Safely source and distribute nutritious food to people in need:

We will continually explore and implement strategies for sourcing and distributing nutritious food in the safest, most cost effective and equitable way and in increasing quantities.

Cultivate programs that reduce food insecurity:

We will strive to identify solutions that target the root causes of hunger. Specifically, we will support programs that work toward promoting health and food literacy, and building community capacity so that more people are able to consistently access the nutritious food they need to lead healthy, productive lives.

Advocate on behalf of people living with food insecurity:

We will engage with local, state, and federal lawmakers to educate them about hunger in our 11 county area, using information based soundly in evidence and data to promote legislative solutions to fight hunger. In addition, we will mobilize our network of partner agencies on behalf of our mission.

Develop and implement a sustainable business model:

We will develop a disciplined and robust business model that works toward long term revenue growth, prudent cost management, and adequate facilities and technology to ensure that we have the infrastructure necessary to sustainably support the mission now and in the future.

Become a preferred organization in the nonprofit sector in our 11 county area:

We will foster a culture of excellence, provide a fun and rewarding experience, and support the personal and professional growth of our people so that we are a preferred nonprofit organization for which to work, volunteer and support.

West Ohio Food Bank Programs

- ✦ **Feeding America Donated Program** - Offers donated foods from national companies, (and national companies with local presence), which may carry a service maintenance charge of up to 19¢ per pound.
- ✦ **Fresh Produce Initiative Program (ACP)** - Offers unprecedented donations of fresh fruits and vegetables, chickens and eggs from small family farmers throughout Ohio.
- ✦ **Ohio Food Program (OFP)** - Offers nutritious, shelf-stable food with high protein items such as peanut butter, ground meats and tuna fish. These items are received throughout the year for emergency pantries and emergency meal sites.
- ✦ **USDA- Federal Commodities Program** - Provides a variety of nutritious food items to supplement the “food mix” in meals ‘bagged’ by emergency providers, or ‘served hot’ at meals sites provided monthly during the year along with produce when available.
- ✦ **Mobile Food Program** - Deliver shelf stable and frozen foods up to 10,000 lbs. to designated sites, [i.e., a church or other qualifying non-profit organization can distribute those goods to needy families] in a farmer’s market-like atmosphere. This enables groups to meet area needs without needing permanent food storage/distribution facility.
- ✦ **Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) Senior Food Box** - CSFP is a federal funded program for people who are 60+ years of age and whose household income is 130% or less, of the federal poverty guidelines. Each month the WOFB provides a 32-40-pound box of nutritious food to 1,404 seniors throughout the 11-county service area.
- ✦ **Weekend Backpack Program** - Students in need are identified by school personnel and typically participate in the free/reduced meal program. These bags were distributed on Fridays including 6 meals and 2 snacks to consume on the weekends.
- ✦ **School Pantries** - The school pantry on campus is to provide supplemental food resources to chronically hungry students who do not have access to food at home. Four school pantries opened in 2018 (3 in Allen County and 1 in Hancock County).
- ✦ **Flood Disaster Relief** - During natural disasters, in our 11-county service area, water, cleaning supplies, and food items are provided to partner agencies assisting their community with disaster relief efforts.
- ✦ **Free Tax Filing Assistance** - Our tax consultants can assist individuals in filing taxes (make \$65,000 or less) and assist applicants in applying for Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP), Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), Medicaid and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) applications.

Statistics for West Ohio Food Bank

County	Percentage received from county & dist. In county		Percentage	SMF Paid by Partner Agencies	Value of Food from KPMG of \$1.68 per lb. for 2018	Savings to the Community
	Annual Received	Annual Distributed				
Allen County	661,528	3,193,073	20.72%	\$119,550.13	\$5,364,362.64	\$5,244,812.51
Auglaize County	189,166	370,380	51.07%	\$25,031.80	\$622,238.40	\$597,206.60
Hancock County	421,695	651,827	64.69%	\$121,247.38	\$1,095,069.36	\$973,821.98
Hardin County	114,623	407,796	28.11%	\$19,211.72	\$685,097.28	\$665,885.56
Mercer County	216,660	252,131	85.93%	\$3,403.47	\$423,580.08	\$420,176.61
Paulding County	0	166,029	0.00%	\$9,068.96	\$278,928.72	\$269,859.76
Putnam County	72,450	204,847	35.37%	\$26,195.69	\$344,142.96	\$317,947.27
Seneca County	135,034	433,507	31.15%	\$42,215.92	\$728,291.76	\$686,075.84
Shelby County	285,095	462,425	61.65%	\$19,204.48	\$776,874.00	\$757,669.52
Van Wert county	233,135	289,864	80.43%	\$18,450.65	\$486,971.52	\$468,520.87
Wyandot County	102,729	159,610	64.36%	\$5,077.94	\$268,144.80	\$263,066.86

Thank You Volunteers!

339 Volunteers

5,112 Volunteer Hours

Value of Volunteer Service \$126,215

(\$24.69 per volunteer hour)



2017 – 2018 Partner Agencies

Allen Co. Pantries

Adventist Food Pantry
Allentown UMC Food Pantry
Bradfield Center Pantry
Cairo UMC
Christian Heritage Food Pantry
Churches United Pantry
Compassion 2 Action
County Line Church of the Brethren
Good Ground World Ministries
Grace Church Pantry
Heartbeat of Lima
In Faith Ministries
Judah Enterprises (New Life Church International)
Mizpah
Salvation Army Food Pantry
SMC Resource Center
St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry
The Ohio State Lima Pantry
Veterans Food Pantry

Allen Co. Mobile Pantries

Cable Rd. Alliance Church
Crossroads COG
Grace Baptist Mobile Pantry
Harrod UMC
Lima 1st Church of the Nazarene
Shawnee UMC
Spencerville UMC
Teens for Christ
WOFB Feed a Friend

Allen Co. Meal Sites

Bradfield Community Center
Christian Corner Community Center
Judah Enterprises (New Life Church International)
Only Believe Lima
Community Meal
Trinity UMC

Allen Co. Shelters

Crossroads Crisis Center
Family Promise
Guiding Light Ministries
Resting Place

Allen Co. Program Sites

Bradfield Center
Changing Seasons
Coleman Union Square Apartments
Connected Hands Baby Project
Elderly Day Care Center
House of Grace
Kids Summer Breakfast Program- St. Peter Lutheran
Lima UMADAOP
Mizpah AfterSchool Program
UMADAOP Phoenix Cortland
UMADAOP Phoenix Union
Restoration House of Lima,
Salvation Army/After School

Allen Co. Backpack Programs

Backpack Lima City Schools
Meals'til Monday- Allen East
Meals'til Monday-Bath
Meals'til Monday- Delphos
Meals'til Monday- Elida
Meals'til Monday- Perry
Meals'til Monday- Spencerville
The Give Back Program- Delphos

Auglaize Co. Pantries

Agape Food Pantry
CH-KI-LO Food Pantry
Impact Mt. Tabor UMC
Victory Center
Auglaize Co. Mobile Pantries
Salem United Methodist Church
Wapak 1st UMC

Auglaize Co. Meal Sites

Breaking Bread Community Meal
Grace UMC Comm. Dinner
Loaves & Fishes

Auglaize Co. Supplemental
Changing Seasons Auglaize

Auglaize Co. Backpack Programs

Meals'til Monday Cridersville

Hancock Co. Pantries

CHOPIN Hall FP
Good Hope Lutheran Church-
Summer Food Program
Lutheran SS of NWOH
Salvation Army

Hancock Co. Mobile Pantries

CHOPIN Hall Mobile Pantry
Good Hope Lutheran Mobile
First Lutheran Church
Feed A Friend (WOFB)
Zion UMC Mobile

Hancock Co. Meal Sites

Salvation Army Meal Site

Hancock Co. Backpack Program

Backpack Arcadia
Feed A Child (Findlay City Schools)
Backpack Cory Rawson
Backpack Liberty Benton

Hardin Co. Pantries

Alger Home Missions
Forest-Wharton Community
Food Pantry
Kenton Full Gospel Bread of Life
Neighborhood Opp. Center
Victory Chapel of Praise

Hardin Co. Shelters

Crossroads Crisis Center

Hardin Co. Program Sites

Kenton UMADAOP
Souper Supper

Hardin Co. Backpack

Backpack Program Kenton

Mercer Co. Pantries

North American Indian
Center (NAICC)
Our Home Family Resource
Center

Mercer Co. Mobile Pantries

WOFB Feed a Friend
Agape Distribution

Mercer Co. Program Site

Choosing Life Pregnancy
Center

Paulding Co. Pantries

Auglaize Chapel Church of
God
Caring and Sharing Food
Pantry
Grover Hill Food Pantry
Payne St. Paul Food Pantry
Rainbow Ministries

Paulding Co. Meal Sites

Rainbow Ministries
Community Meal

Putnam Co. Pantries

Circle of Friends Food Pantry
Leipsic Food Pantry
Lord's Pantry
Ottawa Food Pantry
Putnam County Community
Thrift Store

Putnam Co. Mobile Pantries

Miller City St. Nicholas

Putnam Co. Backpack

Bless A Bulldog (Backpack
Columbus Grove)
Knap Sack (Backpack Ottawa)

Seneca Co. Pantries

A Little Faith Ministries
Attica Community Food
Pantry
Bloomville Food Pantry
Christ's Church at Tiffin
Fish of Tiffin
Flat Rock Homes
Harmony Food Pantry
Pantry Plus of Seneca County
Republic UCC Food Pantry
Salvation Army Tiffin

Seneca Co. Mobile Pantries

Knights of Columbus Mobile
Fostoria Church of God
Mobile Pantry

Seneca Co. Meal Sites

Feed My Kids Summer
Program
Salvation Army Tiffin

Seneca Co. Program Sites

Flat Rock Homes
New Housing Ohio Clay
New Housing Ohio Morrison
New Housing Ohio The
Cottage
New Housing Ohio Wentz
Salvation Army After School
Program

Seneca Co. Backpack

Backpack Tiffin

Shelby Co. Pantries

Agape Distribution
Alpha Center Pantry
Fish Pond Food Pantry
House of Prayer
Salvation Army

Shelby Co. Mobile Pantries

Lockington UMC

Shelby Co. Meal Sites

Alpha Center Meal Site
Holy Angel's Soup Kitchen
Salvation Army Meal Site

Shelby Co. Backpack

Programs

Jackson Center
Botkins

Van Wert Co. Pantries

Pentecostal Bethlehem Food
Pantry
Pioneer Christian Food
Pantry
Salvation Army
Trinity Friends Food Pantry
Van Wert UMC Co-Op

Van Wert Co. Shelters

Crisis Care Line

Van Wert Co. Program Sites

Challenged Higher Drop in
Center

Wyandot Co. Pantries

Liberty Freedom Center
Open Door Resource Center
TWL

Wyandot Co. Meal Sites

Open Door Comm. Meal
TWL Community Meal

Wyandot Co. Program Sites

TWL Summer Food Program



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