Leading the community to end hunger.

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Annual Report 2015
We love our Volunteers!

These hunger heroes help us feed our neighbors in need. From the sorting room, deliveries, and pantry operators, to distribution and nutrition education program assistance, we could not provide for the families that need our help without volunteers.

Volunteer Hours
more than 35,000 valued at $281,750

Thanks to our volunteers who will brave the summer heat, we feed as many as 300 families at each summer mobile pantry site.

For more information or to help feed families in need, visit us online at allfaithsfoodbank.org or follow us on social media.

We count on the generosity of our community volunteers who host food and fund drives, help sort and pack, and distribute food.
Sprout Mobile Farm Market is a custom-made truck that is refrigerated and has a remote-controlled awning that provides a shade when parked. One of the first of its kind in the region, Sprout brings fresh produce to the families that count on us for food. With regular stops throughout Sarasota and DeSoto Counties, in its second year, Sprout brought more than 425,000 pounds of fresh fruits and vegetables to our neighbors in need.

All Faiths Food Bank is committed to providing healthy choices to families that need food. Partnerships with farmers, grocers, and other fresh produce sources have been established and together, we will provide for a healthier future for all of us.

All Faiths Food Bank’s Mobile Pantry Program has become one of the most efficient and cost-effective programs that provide food assistance in our service area. Because the food goes from our warehouse to the truck to families in need, we are able to give our clients fresh produce along with the staples we provide. Of the 8 million pounds of food served, more than 2.25 million pounds was fresh produce.

Food Distribution Needs

The aftermath of the Great Recession remains a slow-moving disaster for our community. The recent uptick in some sectors of the economy masks a very different reality for tens of thousands of Sarasota families. In fact, there has been no change in hunger and food insecurity and rates remain as high today as they were in 2008. So now, almost a decade after the recession, a sustained, high need for food has become the new norm. According to the United Way of Florida’s ALICE Report (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed), 41% of the households in Sarasota County and 56% of households in DeSoto Country struggle to afford basic needs and are food insecure. Our ability to meet this growing need is the reason we have decided to expand our facility and increase our food distribution goals in 2016.
Our Mission

- We lead the community to end hunger.
- We are the expert on hunger and nutrition education.
- We are the hub of the hunger relief system.
- We see food as the beginning; the first step in a holistic response to meeting the needs of our hungry neighbors and helping them move toward independence.

Our Network

All Faiths works with a network of 184 agency programs and partners in Sarasota and DeSoto Counties that help distribute 8 million pounds of food annually. Our agency partners - soup kitchens, pantries, churches and community centers are on the front line every day. Collaborating with our long-term agencies was paramount in reaching more children, families, senior citizens and disabled veterans this year. By working together, we were able to provide enough food for 6.5 million meals in 2015.

184 PARTNERS & PROGRAMS

- 55 pantry & meal partners
- 45 school programs
- 16 mobile pantry routes
- 75 nutrition & education programs
- 12 sprout routes

Leading the community
“When the school year ends, hunger begins for 21,000 students in Sarasota County” has been the message and motivation behind the Campaign Against Summer Hunger. The number is actually far greater when we include their younger brothers and sisters, and almost 5,000 children in DeSoto County, which is also in the service area of All Faiths Food Bank. Conservatively, the total number of kids at risk over the summer could exceed 40,000.

A hungry child loses ground over the summer and starts school behind everyone else. This early setback has lifelong consequences. Proper nutrition plays a key role in improving educational outcomes and, most important, a child’s chances in life. Providing meals throughout the summer keeps children on the pathway to success.

The goal of the 2015 Campaign was to increase the number of children receiving food and the number of meals per child during the summer. By building on last year’s success, embracing new partnerships, and implementing community-based outreach efforts, 38% more children received food. Total meals increased by 28%.

Thanks to new partnerships and a community united against summer hunger:

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<th>6,142 Children Served at Mobile Pantries</th>
<th>1,257,965 pounds fed 16,981 people 1,048,304 meals</th>
<th>999 Children Served at Sprout</th>
<th>23,484 backpacks 140,904 meals 50,780 snacks</th>
<th>6,057 Children Received Summer Meals</th>
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<td>651,638 pounds fed 16,243 people 543,032 meals</td>
<td>5,808 Children Served at Partner Agencies</td>
<td>118,604 pounds of produce fed 3,702 people</td>
<td>5,579 Children Served - Snacks and Backpacks</td>
<td>187,719 meals from school districts &amp; summer programs</td>
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Nutrition & Education Programs

We know that keeping kids fed and healthy makes them better students, reduces sick days, and offers opportunities to achieve success. Just think, we can change lives with three meals a day and a snack.

BackPack Kids:
Bags of kid-friendly food are given to children all year round. In 2015, we distributed 113,000 backpacks.

Snack Packs:
Classrooms are stocked with nourishing snacks so no child is suffering instead of learning.

School Pantries:
Parents can pick up food for the entire family at their child’s school.

Growing Healthy Kids:
Preschoolers learn about good nutrition through stories, games and puppet shows.

Cooking Matters:
Fun, hands-on cooking classes for kids, teens, adults and seniors. This class reached 291 students in 2015 with the help of 100+ volunteers.

- 2,550 clients visited tasting tables at mobile pantries.
- 390 people attended presentations about healthy food choices.

Tasting and Teaching at Mobile Pantries
2,550 clients were thrilled to have an opportunity to learn how to prepare the food we deliver and how to share something healthy and delicious with their families. At 17 locations, dishes for tasting were prepared on-site and then the recipe and ingredients were sent home with clients. Additionally, 390 people attended presentations about healthy food choices.

“I love seeing the happy faces of students leaving with backpacks of food on Fridays. It helps them come back to school ready to learn.”

~ Sarasota County School Principal
Fiscal responsibility and good stewardship

As the only food bank in Sarasota and DeSoto Counties, we are highly efficient and put 92% of all donations back into programs and services.

**Total revenue $17,931,098**

- Grants: $2,002,399
- Contributions: $3,963,029
- Special events: $317,438
- Agency orders: $327,040
- Donated goods: $11,314,082
- Interest & other income: $7,110

**Donated goods 66%**

- Grants: 11%
- Contributions: 18%
- Special events: 3%
- Agency orders: 1%
- Interest & other: <1%

**Total expenses $15,910,304**

- Food acquisition & nutrition education: $14,660,539
- Fundraising: $910,641
- Administrative: $339,124

**Food acquisition & nutrition education 92%**

- Fundraising: 5.6%
- Administrative: 2.4%

**Net assets, end of year: $10,474,002**
HOW WE WORK

FOOD DONATIONS ARE MADE:
We secure donations from the food and grocery industries, government agencies, food drives, local growers, individuals and other organizations.

FOOD IS INSPECTED AND DISTRIBUTED:
All Faiths Food Bank inspects donated food, ensures safe storage and reliable distribution to where it is needed most. More than 8 million pounds of food move through our warehouse each year.

FOOD REACHES THOSE IN NEED:
Food is provided to people in need at food pantries, soup kitchens, schools, veterans' programs, youth organizations, senior centers, and emergency shelters.

IMPACT

63,000 PEOPLE
are served annually in Sarasota and DeSoto Counties.

6.5 MILLION MEALS
distributed in the last year.

8 MILLION POUNDS
of food moved through our 20,000 sq. ft. warehouse.

2.25 MILLION POUNDS
was fresh produce.

113,000+ BACKPACKS
were given to students year round.

27,000 CHILDREN
were fed last summer.

184 AGENCIES AND PROGRAMS
are a part of our network.

35,000 VOLUNTEER HOURS
help us carry out our mission.

All Faiths Food Bank received a consecutive 4-star rating from Charity Navigator.