



ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT

FISCAL YEAR
2022-23



Leading the fight against hunger in Ventura County.

LETTER FROM MONICA WHITE President & CEO

Dear Friends,

It is with a mixture of gratitude and urgency that I present you with our Annual Report for the fiscal year ending in 2023. As I reflect on the past year, it is crystal clear that the issue of hunger in our community is more pressing than ever.

A staggering 267,000 individuals, more than one in four county residents, made use of our services. That's a 256% increase since the start of my tenure as CEO in 2017. It is a number that keeps me awake at night, and the fuel that drives Food Share's commitment to fostering an open and judgment-free dialogue around the pervasive issue of food insecurity.

The root causes of this crisis in our midst are varied and complex, from job loss and bereavement to health crises and exorbitant living costs. As a food bank, we recognize our limitations in mitigating these hardships. What we can do is nurture the dignity and hope that comes from having a full plate of nutritious food. Our mission is not just about providing sustenance; it is about extending a helping hand to anyone in need, with no questions asked.



For 46 years, Food Share has stood as a beacon of hope because of the support of people like you. We extend our deepest gratitude to every donor, every volunteer, and every dollar contributed to Food Share. Your support is not just a donation; it's a lifeline for the thousands of our neighbors struggling with hunger.

With gratitude,

Monica White
President & CEO

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HUNGER FACTS:

Food Share by the Numbers



6,561,000

Total Pounds of
Fresh Produce
Distributed

19,290,228

Total Pounds
of Food
Distributed

221

Distribution
Locations



\$59,221,000

Retail Value of
Food Distributed

16,075,190

Equivalent # of
Meals Provided

3,864

Volunteers

40,995

Donated Hours

160

Partner Agencies



266,971

Total People Served



OUR CORPORATE PRODUCE DONORS

Thank you for donating
6.5M lbs of produce
for Food Share's
hungry neighbors.

- Albertsons
- Aldi
- Amazon Fresh
- Avina Produce
- Bayer
- Beylik Farms
- Bread Basket
- Calavo
- California Association of Food Banks
- Chick-Fil-A
- Chiquita Brands
- Costco
- CSU Channel Islands
- Deardorff Family Farms
- Del Monte Fresh Produce
- Del Norte Distributing
- Driscoll's
- Eagle Eye Produce
- Farmlink Project
- Feeding America
- Food Foward of Ventura County
- Grocery Outlet
- Howard Creek Farm
- Lassens Natural Foods & Vitamins
- Laubacher Farms
- Leavens Ranch
- Lomita Farm House LLC
- Move For Hunger
- Pinnacle Realtors
- Procter & Gamble Company
- Ralph's
- Sam's Club
- San Miguel Produce
- Smart & Final
- Sprouts
- Target
- The Ranch Malibu
- Trader Joe's
- Vallarta Supermarket
- Valley Market Place
- Vons
- Walmart
- Western Onion
- Whole Foods Market
- Windset Farms
- Wonderful Citrus Growers

A SOBERING MILESTONE

A Half Million Emergency Food Boxes Distributed

At the end of June 2023, Food Share marked a significant new milestone - **the organization's one-thousandth drive-thru food box distribution**. These distributions, initiated in April 2020 in response to the closure of many pantry partners during the pandemic, have continued to draw a substantial number of attendees. **Nearly two million pounds of food was distributed via drive-thrus in FY23.**

College Park Numbers Swell

Serving over **900 cars weekly**, the largest distribution occurs every Wednesday afternoon at College Park, Oxnard.

Kevin Herold, Food Sourcing Supervisor at Food Share, oversaw the distribution for three years, becoming a familiar, friendly face to many people in line. "They are not always the same neighbors each week. Many new faces, many new to food insecurity come through our line to receive free food assistance. This distribution is a lifeline for so many who are working but still struggling to make ends meet."

Food Share estimates that at least a third of the cars belong to families with children, while an equal number belong to older individuals struggling on a fixed income. **One elderly neighbor in the line expressed the struggles faced by many, stating ...**



The price of food and everything is going up so high, I don't see how some people do it. When you've gotta survive, you do whatever you can and this helps a lot of people, it really does."

SUSAN W., FOOD SHARE CLIENT



FEEDING THOSE WHO FEED US

Food Share focuses on improving food security for Ventura County's estimated 42,000 farmworkers.



Program Highlights

- In a survey, farmworkers identified staples like masa, canned hominy, and fideo as preferred items in curated food boxes. **This ongoing initiative impacted nearly 16,000 farmworkers in dozens of food distributions in FY23.**
- Outreach efforts have expanded to reach farmworkers through distribution events conducted in the fields, at schools, and through enhanced capacity at existing distribution locations. Additionally, new sites have been identified, including an affordable housing community tailored for farmworkers.

Responding to Challenges

In response to the challenges faced by farmworkers due to heavy rains in early 2023, Food Share joined forces with key partners like MICOP (Mixteco Indigena Community Organizing Project), Reiter Affiliated Companies, and others, to organize a "Mega Distribution". **This event provided essential support to 1,004 families, totaling over 4,100 individuals.**

FOOD SHARE'S IMPACT IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Ventura County Cities	# of pantry partners	Pounds of food distributed	# of meals provided	# of people served	Total Population*	% of population served	# of retail partners	Retail value of food distributed
CAMARILLO	12	961,089	800,908	5,910	70,593	8.37%	12	\$2,950,543
FILLMORE/PIRU	11	488,133	406,778	6,163	16,373	37.64%	2	\$1,498,568
MOORPARK	7	1,678,964	1,399,137	7,819	36,201	21.60%	6	\$510,919
OJAI/OAK VIEW	8	166,423	138,686	2,483	7,640	32.50%	6	\$5,154,419
OXNARD	56	7,958,567	6,632,139	144,975	202,981	71.42%	25	\$24,432,801
PORT HUENEME	6	63,171	52,643	7,658	21,954	34.88%	0	\$193,935
SANTA PAULA	9	1,294,042	1,078,368	16,232	30,741	52.80%	2	\$3,972,709
SIMI VALLEY	14	1,883,220	1,569,350	20,366	126,809	16.06%	21	\$5,781,485
THOUSAND OAKS	17	1,870,155	1,558,463	32,648	127,274	25.65%	20	\$5,741,376
VENTURA	29	1,926,045	1,605,038	17,951	110,572	16.23%	20	\$5,912,958
WESTLAKE VILLAGE/ AGOURA HILLS	3	437,312	364,427	997	27,158	3.67%	5	\$1,342,548
OTHER/ UNINCORPORATED	2	667,176	555,980	3,769	66,959	5.63%	6	\$2,048,230
TOTAL	174	19,394,297	16,161,917	266,971	845,255	32%	125	\$59,540,491

*Source: Ventura County Civic Alliance 2023 State of the Region

ONE HUNGER-RELIEF NETWORK

To distribute the vast quantities of food procured and processed annually, Food Share partners with 160 community-based partners. These partners operate food pantries in diverse locations such as schools, medical centers, churches and senior centers throughout Ventura County. By removing barriers to access for our friends and neighbors seeking support, Food Share ensures its reach extends across the entire county.

Food Share's Pantry Partners

CAMARILLO

- Boys & Girls Club of Camarillo
- Camarillo Community Church
- Crossroads Church
- Dolphin Pantry @ Cal State Channel Islands
- Mira Vista Senior Apartments
- Pleasant Valley Community Center
- Pleasant Valley Senior Center
- Project Hope @ St. Columba's Episcopal Church
- ROAR Church
- Nyeland Promise
- Our Lady of Guadalupe
- Oxnard Community Food Pantry
- Oxnard PAL Center
- Pacific Point Senior Apartments
- Palm Vista Senior Housing
- Paseo Del Rio
- Port Hueneme
- Prototypes Women's Center
- Reiter Affiliated Companies
- Rescue Mission Alliance
- Rio Schools Foundation
- Salvation Army Oxnard
- Seven High Senior Apartments
- Seventh-Day Adventist Community Health Services
- Seventh-Day Adventist - El Rio
- Shelter Care Resources
- Sisters, Servants of Mary
- Sonata RHF @ RiverPark
- South Oxnard Senior Center
- St. Anthony's Church
- St. John's Health Ministries
- Sycamore Senior Village
- The ARC - Oxnard
- Turning Point Foundation
- Villa Cesar Chavez
- Villa Victoria Apartments
- Westminster Free Clinic

FILLMORE & PIRU

- Bardsdale Church
- Fillmore Active Adult Center
- Fillmore Central Station
- Fillmore Church of Christ
- Fillmore Police Storefront
- Love Without Borders
- One Step a la Vez
- Rancho Sespe
- San Salvador Mission
- Saint Vincent de Paul - St. Francis of Assisi
- Valle Naranjal Farmworker Apartments

MOORPARK

- Boys & Girls Club of Moorpark
- Catholic Charities
- Faith Lutheran Church
- Grace Harvest Ministry
- Moorpark College Pantry
- Rancho Sespe
- Ruben Castro Charities

OJAI & OAK VIEW

- Boys & Girls Club - Oakview
- Help of Ojai
- Life Choices Pregnancy Clinic
- Oak View Library
- Oak View Teen Center
- Secure Beginnings (diaper bank)
- St. Thomas Aquinas Church
- The ARC - Ojai

OXNARD

- Area Housing Access
- Bethel AME Church
- Boys & Girls Club of Greater Oxnard and Bread of Life - All Saints Episcopal Church
- Boys & Girls Club - Nyeland
- Camino del Sol Senior Apartments
- Camino Gonzalez
- Celebration Nation
- Channel Islands Vineyard Church
- Church of the Nazarene
- Circle of Love
- Colonia Village Tenant Association
- Community Action of Ventura County
- Crossroads @ Gateway
- First Bible Church of El Rio
- Fleet Reserve
- Friends of Fieldworkers
- Gabriel's House
- Genesis Programs

- Grace Bible Church
- Graceful Diapers (diaper bank)
- Harbor Missionary Church
- Heritage Park Senior Apartments
- Lighthouse for Women and Children
- Living Hope Church
- Mary Star of the Sea
- Mixteco Indigena Community Organization
- New Life Community Church
- Nyeland Promise
- Our Lady of Guadalupe
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PORT HUENEME

- Beachside Fellowship
- Boys & Girls Club - Pt. Hueneme
- Casa Pacifica Apartments
- Evangelistic Missionary Baptist Church
- Restored Ministry
- Salvation Army @ Boelker Pk

SANTA PAULA

- Boys & Girls Club of Santa Clara Valley
- Centro Cristiano Emanuel
- Limoneira Farmworker Housing
- LUCHA - Poder Popular
- Our Lady of Guadalupe
- Rodney Fernandez Garden Senior Apartments
- Spirit of Santa Paula
- The ARC - Santa Paula
- The Santa Paulan Senior Apartments

SIMI VALLEY

- Boys & Girls Club of Simi Valley
- Camino Esperanza
- Centro Familiar Nueva Esperanza
- Church of the Living Christ
- Eagle Vision Outreach
- New Beginnings Christian Fellowship

- New Heart Foursquare Church
- Salvation Army - Care and Share
- Samaritan Center
- SEWA International
- Shepherd of the Valley
- Simi Second Missionary Baptist Church
- Simi Valley Senior Center
- Spirit Life Church

THOUSAND OAKS & NEWBURY PARK

- Adelante Comunidad
- Boys & Girls Club of Conejo Valley
- Christian Church of Thousand Oaks
- Conejo Community Outreach (diaper bank)
- Harbor House
- Many Mansions
- Newbury Park First Christian Church
- Nucleus
- PathPoint
- Safe Passage Youth Foundation
- Seventh-Day Adventist Church
- St. Vincent de Paul @ St. Julie Billiart Church
- St. Vincent de Paul - St. Paschal Baylon Church
- The Fellowship House
- The Lighthouse Church
- United Methodist Church of Thousand Oaks
- Westminster Free Clinic - T.O.

VENTURA

- 4Kids2Kids
- Azaha Place Apartments
- Boys & Girls Club of Greater Ventura
- Catholic Charities of Ventura
- Church of Scientology of Ventura
- Community Bible Church
- Community Presbyterian Church
- Family to Family
- Fountain of Life Apostolic Church
- Journey Church
- Khepera House
- Mercy House
- Mission F.I.S.H.
- Our Lady of Assumption
- Pirate Pantry at Ventura College
- Power House Church of the Nazarene
- Project Understanding
- River Community Church
- Sacred Heart at Cabrillo Village
- Salvation Army Ventura
- SEEAG
- Snapdragon Apartments
- Spencer Houses
- Teen Challenge
- Temple Beth Torah
- Turning Point New Visions
- The Arc of Ventura County
- Westpark Community Center
- Willett Ranch Senior Apartments

WESTLAKE VILLAGE & AGOURA HILLS

- Agoura Bible Fellowship
- Calvary Community Church
- Saint Jude the Apostle Church



A FRESH PERSPECTIVE

Our clients consistently express a strong preference for fresh fruits and vegetables, making them the most frequently requested food items. In FY23, 32% of the total food distributed consisted of fresh produce.

Gleaning

Distributing excess crops gleaned from local farmers was how Food Share first started 46 years ago. Gleaning continues to be an important source of fresh food, bringing in 111,000 lbs in FY23 via 186 picks. It also helps farmers and anyone with excess fruit on their backyard trees to reduce food waste.



Farm-to-Family Food Share is a long-standing member of the CA Association of Food Banks (CAFB), an organization that works with food banks across the state to ensure they have the tools and resources needed to feed our communities in need. One of the most important resources coordinated by CAFB is the Farm-to-Family program, which allows farmers with surplus products to reduce food waste by donating it to the food banking system in their local community and beyond. Food Share sourced 32% of its fresh food inventory through this program in FY23.



Farm Share In a world where accessing nutritious food remains a pervasive challenge, the Farm Share program helped bridge the gap between quality produce and those facing food insecurity. This promising initiative, germinating in June 2023 on 7 acres of land generously provided by Deardorff Family Farms in Camarillo, blossomed into more than 200,000 lbs of fresh produce in its inaugural year, featuring staples like romaine and head lettuce, cabbage, and cauliflower.

SPECIAL INITIATIVES

Senior Kits provide shelf-stable food packages and fresh produce to low-income seniors 60+ at 40 distributions each month. During the 2022-23 fiscal year, 35,105 boxes of food were distributed to 6,109 seniors.

Community Markets provided 75,637 lbs of fresh produce for 9,013 people via monthly markets.

The Kids' Farmers' Market Program provided nutrition education and fresh produce for 4,991 kids via after-school programs like the Boys & Girls Club.

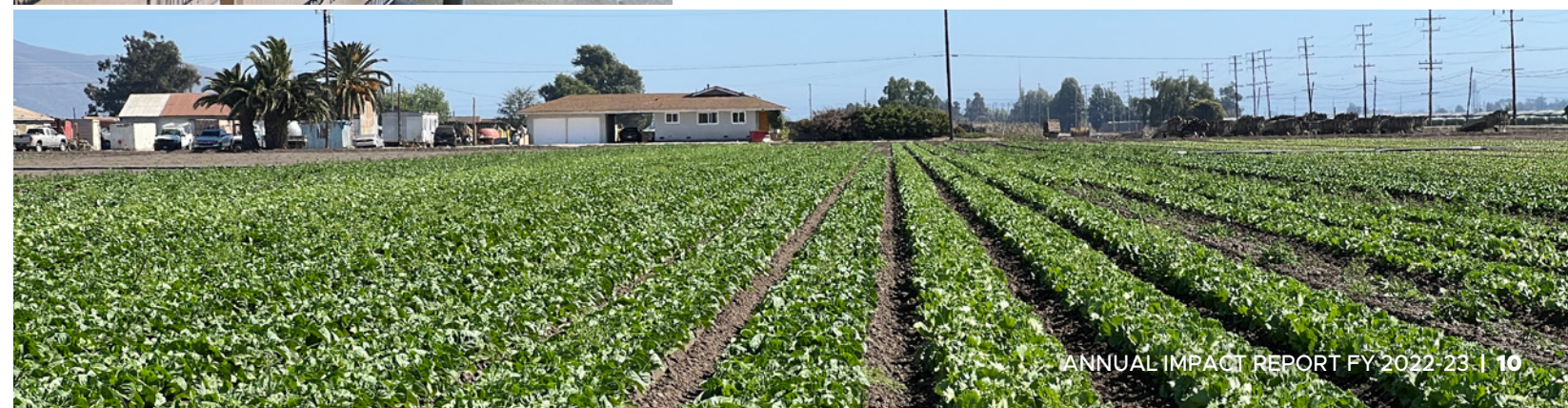
The Nourishing Neighbors Program provided a box of healthy breakfast items to 1,910 children from low-income families, made possible by grant funding from Albertsons Pavilions and Vons Foundation. Boxes of nutritious breakfast foods were distributed through Boys and Girls Clubs of America, a 16% increase on the numbers served through the program in FY21-22.

The Kitchen-Free Program distributed 11,370 bags of "kitchen-free" food. These bags provided nutritious food that requires no preparation for people who are unhoused or living in temporary accommodations.



The Heart Healthy Food Box Program served heart and diabetes-friendly shelf-stable food to 1,500 people who were identified as being at high-risk for chronic disease. This program was made possible with the support of grant funding from Dignity Health and a collaboration between Food Share, Westminster Free Clinic – a non-profit focused on providing free, preventative health services to Ventura County's uninsured individuals & families – and students from Cal State University Northridge, and the American Diabetes Association.

Household Essential Items like diapers and feminine care supplies were also sourced and distributed by Food Share. During FY22-23, Food Share distributed 113,812 lbs of household essential items including diapers, feminine supplies, deodorant, gloves, car seats, hand sanitizer, soap, and paper towels, and facilitated the donation of an additional 306,672 lbs of items that partner agencies collected directly from retail stores.



HOW FOOD SHARE FEEDS VENTURA COUNTY

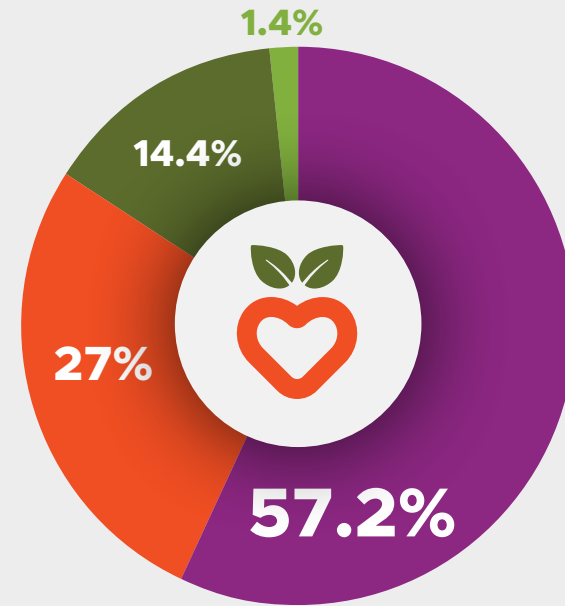


92 CENTS
of every dollar goes toward
programs and services

REVENUE SOURCES

- Donated Food: **\$27,348,950**
- Grants and Contracts: **\$12,879,737**
- Public Contributions: **\$6,864,671**
- Other: **\$692,432**

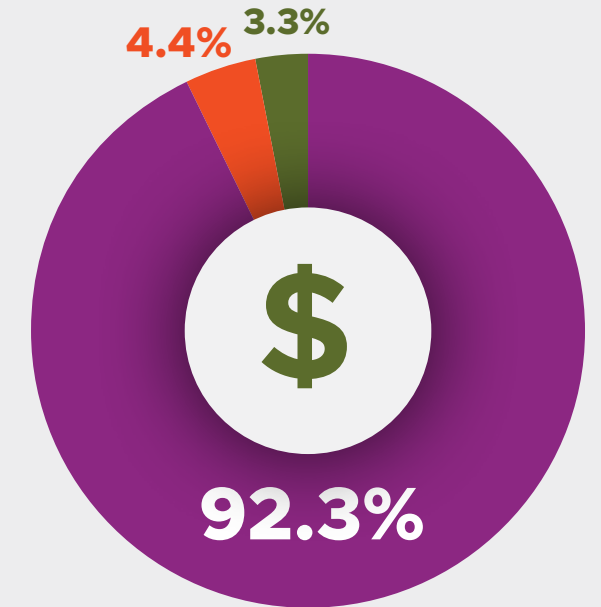
\$47,785,790 TOTAL REVENUE



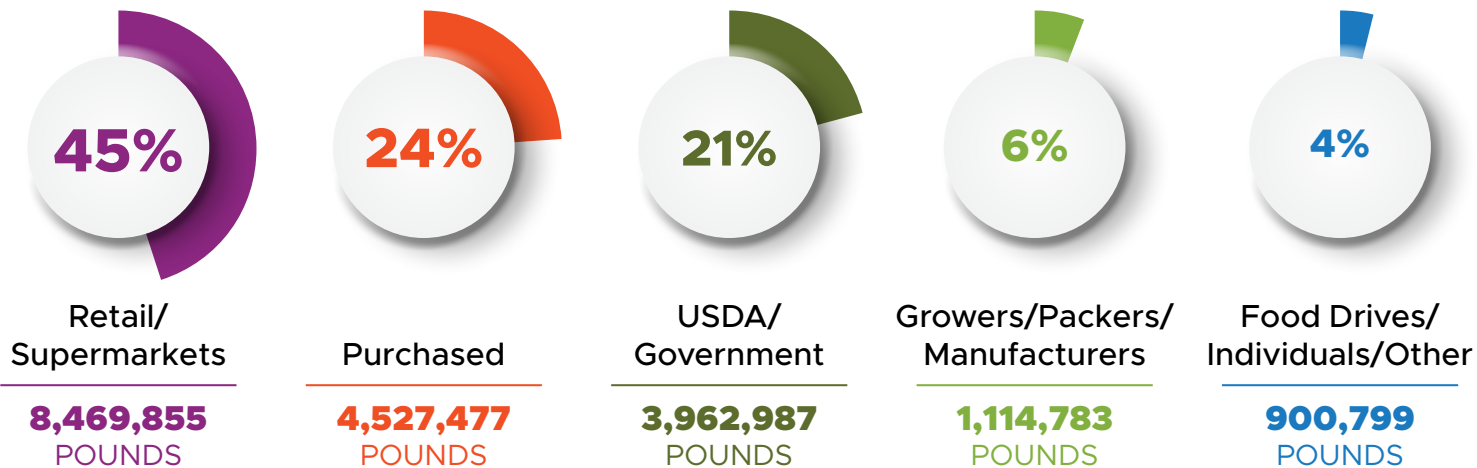
TOTAL ORGANIZATION EXPENSES

- Hunger Relief Programs: **\$33,703,651**
- Management and General: **\$1,595,996**
- Fundraising: **\$1,199,960**

\$36,499,607 TOTAL EXPENSES

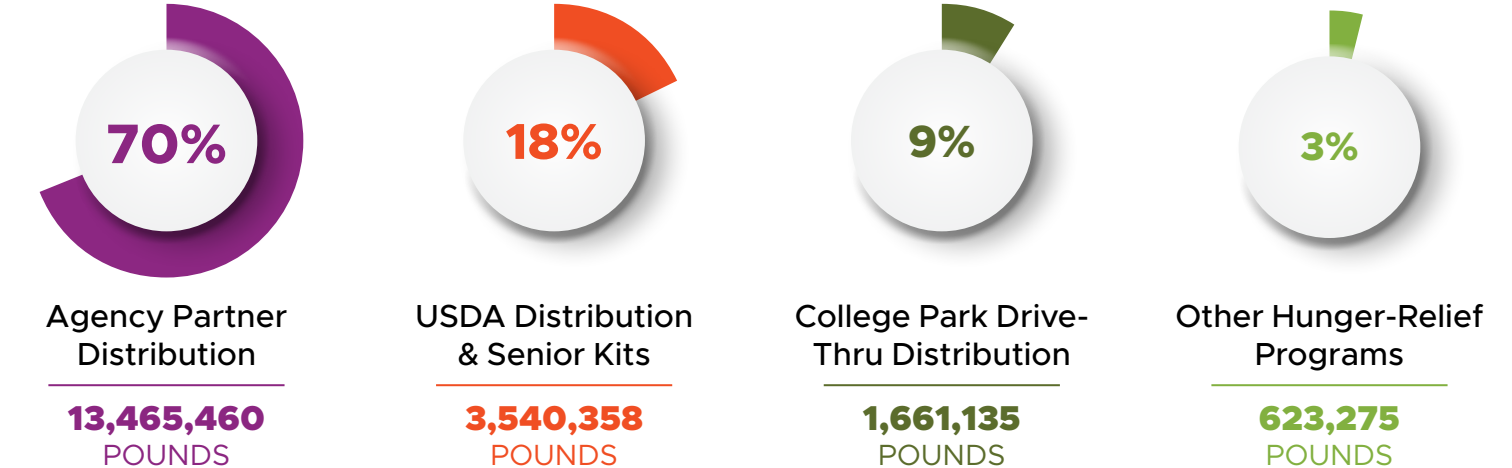


FOOD SOURCES (Food In)



18,975,874 TOTAL POUNDS

FOOD DISTRIBUTION (Food Out)



19,290,228 TOTAL POUNDS

FOOD SHARE'S FINANCIAL EFFICIENCY

Fiscal Year 2022-23

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Assets

Cash, Cash Equivalents & Investments	\$15,580,279
Contributions, Grants & Other Receivables	\$1,448,874
Prepaid Expenses & Deposits	\$182,302
Food Inventory	\$1,505,595
Property & Equipment (Net)	\$10,598,668
Operating & Finance ROU Asset	\$644,555
Total Assets	\$29,960,273

Liabilities and Net Assets

Accounts Payable & Accrued Liabilities	\$426,284
Operating & Finance Lease Liabilities	\$522,665
Net Assets	\$29,011,324
Total Liabilities & Assets	\$29,960,273

Because no one should go hungry.



Food Share is dedicated to leading the fight against hunger in Ventura County.



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