



# THE HARVESTER

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ANNUAL REPORT FY 2017-2018

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## A note from your CEO

I recently received a call from an author who had written a book on food insecurity in 1998. She had featured FOOD Share in a section of her book and was interested in finding out how our operation had changed in the last 20 years.

The chapter begins with a quaint recollection of how our food bank used to operate...

*"The outgoing message on the gleaners' phone line at FOOD Share (Food On Our Doorsteps) in Oxnard, CA tells callers that the crop of the day is carrots and the meeting point is map location #12." — Sweet Charity by Janet Poppendieck*

It's amazing to read about what began as a small gleaning operation in 1978 with a few dozen volunteers harvesting vegetables directly behind tractors in the fields. Since then, FOOD Share has grown into the largest provider of food to those in need in Ventura County by collecting and distributing over 12 million pounds of food each year.

While our legacy gleaning program, now led by volunteer David Orr, continues to harvest thousands of pounds of fruit each year from hundreds of generous neighbors, the majority of our food is now sourced through newer, more efficient channels. Millions of pounds of produce including berries, tomatoes, celery, lettuce, bananas and more are donated by our local growers, shippers and packers. Daily pickups from over 100 supermarkets and retail store outlets provide nearly half of the food needed to fulfill our mission. About 20 percent of our food is provided by the federal government through emergency food assistance programs.

Our role as "the food people," is to collect and distribute this food to our partner agencies as

quickly, safely and efficiently as possible. We'd love to have the luxury of longer expiration dates, but the fact of the matter is that the majority of the food we receive is already near the end of its shelf life. It's that sense of urgency we feel every day, that drives our staff, volunteers and board members to fulfill our mission.

We're the food people and however our operation may change in the next 20 years, we'll be here to continue feeding those in need.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

*Monica White*

Monica White  
President &  
CEO





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## Mission Statement

FOOD Share is dedicated to feeding, nourishing and educating the hungry of Ventura County, educating the community on those who are hungry and why, and advocating for a reduction of the root causes of hunger.

## Vision Statement

FOOD Share innovatively and efficiently gathers and distributes food, serving those in need through a network of charitable agencies. Our dedicated volunteers and staff fight hunger with compassion and commitment to ensure that people have ready access to nutritious food. FOOD Share responds to community emergencies quickly and effectively.

## GO GREEN

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# Thank you Organic Infusions

Join Us  
Today!

## 1 ORDER = 8 MEALS

Organic Infusions  
& FOOD SHARE



## staff spotlight

### Kristy Pollard, Grants Manager

Kristy Pollard has been at FOOD Share for 14 years. Just in this past year, she has written and submitted over 50 grants to help fund FOOD Share's programs and services. Over \$1 million of FOOD Share's revenue comes in through grants. She works with corporations, foundations, and government funders.



#### Biggest change since you've been here:

*The growth of service and understanding of the friends we are serving.*

#### Greatest need for FOOD Share:

*Continued resources to continue the work that we love. Year-round volunteers and donations are the only way FOOD Share exists.*

**Best part of your job:** *I LOVE the people. The staff and volunteers that I have the privilege of working with are the best.*

**Favorite hobby:** *Spending time with family and friends; especially at my happy place...the beach.*



# FY 2017-2018 Annual Report



**1 in 6 people**  
is food insecure



**2,411** volunteers  
gave **25,611** hours



Over **190** partner  
agencies and pantries

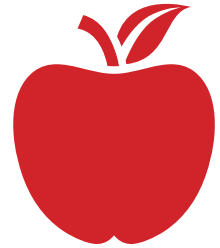
*Together we can solve hunger.*



**75,000** people  
served annually



Provided over  
**10.2 million** meals



Distributed **12.3 million**  
pounds of food



# FY 2017-2018 Programs Review

Since 1978, FOOD Share has been feeding the hungry in Ventura County. It all began when eight friends banded together to provide food to those in need under a bridge in Ventura, CA. The early philanthropic movement started in a family garage, quickly outgrew a donated fire station in Saticoy and now operates in Oxnard, CA with two warehouses with a combined 36,000 square feet. In FY 17-18 staff and volunteers distributed 12.3 million pounds of food, or 10.2 million meals, through its 190 pantry and program partners. As Ventura County's regional food bank, FOOD Share provides food for over 75,000 hungry friends and neighbors monthly. FOOD Share is a member of Feeding America, the nation's largest hunger-relief network of food banks, as well as the California Association of Food Banks

**Community Market Distribution**, a monthly mobile delivery, distributed 454,667 pounds of fresh fruits and vegetables.

**The Senior Share Program** provided bi-weekly supplemental bags of groceries including protein, bread, canned items, and fresh fruits and vegetables for low income seniors throughout the county the past fiscal year.

**Senior Kit Program (CSFP)** is a USDA-funded nutrition program that provides monthly supplemental food boxes to 2,800 low income seniors aged 60 and over. FOOD Share administers the program every month at 35 distributions sites throughout Ventura County.

**Kids' Farmers' Market** is a fun, interactive program that teaches children the importance of healthy eating and active living. The program includes a monthly nutrition education lesson, recipe preparation, taste testing of healthy dishes, and a farmers' market "shopping experience" in which children take home free fresh produce and recipes. In fiscal year 2017-2018, our sites served 3,612 pounds of fresh fruits and vegetables.

**The Senior Nutrition Program**, which is run through funding from the Area Agency on Aging, provides homebound seniors of Oxnard home-delivered meals. In FY17-18, 23,215 meals were delivered.

**Nutrition Education:** FOOD Share's nutrition education team taught children and adults about healthy eating, shopping and cooking on a budget, nutrition labeling, and other important dietary information. Nutrition education was delivered at health fairs, cooking demonstrations and tastings.

**FOOD Share & Friends:** FOOD Share's mobile pantry is a 28-foot commercial kitchen trailer. Its purpose is to "bring hope to the hungry one neighborhood at a time," by visiting local neighborhoods and bringing nutrition education and free produce. Collaborators bring health screenings and more to underserved neighborhoods throughout Ventura County.



## Food Distribution by Program (in pounds) FY 17-18

Agency Distribution	8,519,944
USDA Distribution & CSFP	2,700,772
Federal Commodities - Gov't Source	179,085
Community Market	454,667
Senior Share	58,661
Kids' Farmers' Market	3,612
Mobile Pantry	35,971
Drought Box	78,326
Food Bank (Trades & Emergency Food Bags)	230,164
Senior Nutrition	45,467

### TOTAL

**12,306,669**

## Sources of Food (in pounds) FY 17-18

Growers/Packers	2,421,150
Retail/Supermarkets	5,704,082
Federal Commodities - Gov't Source	2,970,602
Manufacturers	494,332
Purchased	144,726
Food Drives	60,020
Other Food Banks	20,544
Individuals	127,461
Other Class of Trades	604,656

### TOTAL

**12,547,573**



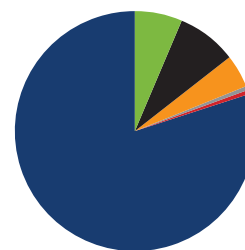


# FY 2017-2018

## Statement of Activities

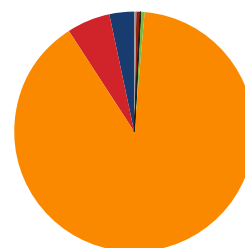
### REVENUE SOURCES

		% of Revenue
Public Contributions	\$1,694,804	6.4%
Foundation & Organization Grants	\$2,135,985	8.1%
Government Grants and Contracts	\$1,193,913	4.5%
Fees	\$174,577	0.7%
Other	\$108,373	0.4%
Food Donations	\$21,146,506	79.9%
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$26,454,158</b>	<b>100%</b>



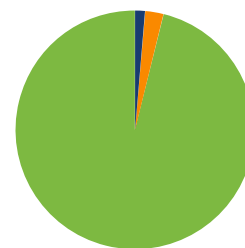
### PROGRAM SERVICES (expenses)

		% of Expenses
Senior Share	\$120,139	0.5%
Kids' Farmers Market Mobile Pantry	\$86,946	0.4%
Nutrition Education (Includes KFM)	\$17,398	0.1%
Senior Nutrition	\$143,842	0.6%
Agency Distribution	\$20,408,535	89.4%
Disaster Relief	\$1,290,564	5.7%
Community Distribution	\$764,482	3.3%
<b>Total Program Expenses</b>	<b>\$22,831,906</b>	<b>100%</b>



### TOTAL ORGANIZATION (expenses)

		% of Expenses
Administration	\$348,698	1.4%
Fundraising	\$618,096	2.6%
Programs	\$22,831,906	96%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$23,798,700</b>	<b>100%</b>



### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Current Assets	\$1,604,308
Inventory - Food	\$1,886,145
Net Property and Equipment	\$3,092,698
Endowment Fund	\$1,234,397
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$7,817,548</b>

### LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Accounts Payable	\$55,876
Accrued Expenses	\$86,802
Deferred Revenue	\$88,791
Net Assets	\$7,586,079
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>\$7,817,548</b>



# Thank You To Our FOOD SHARE Partner Agencies

4Kids2Kids  
Aspiranet  
Associated Students of Ventura College  
Beachside Fellowship  
Big Brothers Big Sisters @ Fillmore High School  
Big Brothers Big Sisters @ Santa Paula High School  
Boys & Girls Club - Camarillo  
Boys & Girls Club - Moorpark  
Boys & Girls Club - Olive St.  
Boys & Girls Club - Oxnard  
Boys & Girls Club - Saticoy  
Boys & Girls Club - Simi Valley  
Boys & Girls Club SCV - Fillmore  
Boys & Girls Club SCV - Santa Paula  
Bread of Life - All Saints Episcopal Church  
Calvary Community Church  
Camarillo Community Church  
Casa de Esperanza  
Catholic Charities - Moorpark  
Catholic Charities - Ventura  
CEDC - Azahar Place Apartments  
CEDC - Camino Esperanza  
CEDC - Camino Gonzalez  
CEDC - Courtyard at Harvard  
CEDC - Meta St Apartments  
CEDC - Paseo Del Rio  
CEDC - Rodney Fernandez Gardens  
CEDC - Santa Paula  
CEDC - Snapdragon Apartments  
CEDC - Valle Naranjal Farmworker Apts.  
CEDC - Villa Cesar Chavez  
CEDC - Villa Victoria Apartments  
Channel Islands Vineyard Church  
Childrens Learning Center - Arcadia  
Childrens Learning Center - Frazier  
Childrens Learning Center - Friedrich  
Christian Church of Thousand Oaks  
Church of the Nazarene  
Circle of Love Ministry, Inc.  
City of Oxnard - Wilson Senior Center  
Coalition For Family Harmony  
Colonia Village Tenant Association  
Community Action of Ventura  
Community Assistance of Santa Paula  
Community Bible Church  
Community Presbyterian Church  
Conejo Valley Food Resource Network - Fiore Field  
Community Pregnancy Clinic  
CSUCI Foundation - Wellness Promotion & Education  
Downtown Ventura Organization  
Evangelistic Missionary  
Family to Family - Old Mission  
Family to Family - Asara  
Family to Family - Sacred Heart  
Family to Family - Sathya  
Family to Family - St. Paul's Episcopal  
Family to Family - St. Thomas Aquinas  
Family to Family -Trinity  
Fillmore Church of Christ  
Fillmore Police Storefront  
First Baptist Church - Ojai  
First Baptist Church @ Sycamore Sr Apts  
First Baptist Church of El Rio  
Fleet Reserve  
Fountain Of Life Apostolic Church

Genesis Sober Living Inc.-Camelot  
Genesis Sober Living Inc.-Deodar  
Genesis Sober Living Inc.-Douglas  
Grace Harvest Ministries  
Harbor Missionary Church @ Oxnard Mobile Home Lodge  
Harbor Missionary Church @ Pleasant Valley Mobile Home Park  
Help Of Ojai  
Hermandad Mexicana  
Iglesia del Nazareno Vida Nueva - Santa Paula  
Journey the Church  
Khepera House  
Kids to Kids - Faith House  
Kids to Kids - Serenity House  
Kids To Kids- Restoration  
Kingdom Center Oxnard - The Gabriel House  
Life Choices Pregnancy Clinic of Ojai Valley, Inc.  
Lighthouse Bible Church @ Camarillo Senior Center  
Lighthouse Bible Church of Simi Valley  
Lighthouse -Oakview  
Lighthouse Rescue Mission  
Living Oaks @ Conejo Community Center  
Living Oaks Community Church @ Salvation Army  
Living Oaks Community Church @ Sycamore Senior Apts.  
Many Mansions - Hacienda de Feliz  
Many Mansions - Shadow Hills  
Many Mansions - Villa Garcia  
Mercy Housing - Casa San Juan  
Mercy Housing - Villa Madera  
Mixteco Indigena Community Organizing Project  
Morning Star Church  
New Beginnings Christian Fellowship  
New Heart Foursquare Church  
New Life Community Church  
Newbury Park First Christian Church  
Newbury Park Foursquare Church  
NFL - El Rio  
NFL - Rio Real  
NFL - Santa Paula - Santa Clara Valley  
NMCB 4 Family  
Nucleus, CA Inc.  
Nyeland Promise @ BGC  
Nyeland Promise @ Water Co.  
Ohana Health  
OLA - Many Meals  
One Step A La Vez  
One Stop - Health Care Foundation For Ventura County  
Our Lady of Guadalupe - Oxnard  
Our Lady Of The Assumption  
Oxnard Central Foursquare Church  
Oxnard College - Sociology Club  
Oxnard Community Food Pantry  
Oxnard Revival Center - Apostolic Assembly  
Pacific Camps & Family Resource  
Path Point - Life Skills  
People's Self-Help Housing @ Rancho Sespe  
People's Self-Help Housing @ El Patio Hotel  
Piru Community Church  
Project Access, Inc.  
Project Hope at St. Columba's Episcopal Church  
Project Understanding  
Prototypes Women's Center  
RAIN

RC Charities @ Career Education Center  
RC Charities @ Moorpark College  
River Community Church  
Sacred Heart Food Pantry at Cabrillo Village  
Salvation Army Oxnard  
Salvation Army Simi Valley - Care and Share  
Salvation Army Ventura  
Salvation Army Ventura - HOPE CENTER  
Samaritan Center Simi Valley  
San Salvador Mission  
SDA Camarillo Church  
SDA Community Health Services - Oxnard  
SDA Ventura  
Shelter Care Resources  
Shepherd Of The Valley  
Simi Community Church  
Simi Second Missionary Baptist Church  
Simi Valley Senior Center  
Sisters, Servants of Mary  
Somis Pantry  
South Coast Fellowship  
Spirit of Camarillo - Many Meals Pat Yost  
Spirit of Camarillo - St. Mary Magdalen  
Spirit of Camarillo - Trinity Presbyterian  
Spirit of Santa Paula - 7th St.  
Spirit of Santa Paula - Davis St.  
Spirit of Santa Paula - Mill St.  
Spirings of Life Baptist Church  
St. John's Health Ministries  
St. Mary Magdalen  
St. Paul's Baptist Church  
St. Peter Claver Church  
St. Rose of Lima / Christian Services  
SVDP - St. Anthonys Church  
SVDP - St. Francis Of Assisi  
SVDP - St. Julie Billiart  
SVDP - St. Mary Magdalen  
SVDP - St. Sebastian  
SVDP - St. Thomas Aquinas - Ojai  
Teen Challenge  
Temple Beth Torah  
The Arc of Ventura County - Santa Paula  
The Arc of Ventura County - Oxnard  
The Arc of Ventura County - Ventura  
The Arc of Ventura County - Simi Valley  
The Arc of Ventura County - Walker St.  
The Church Of God / Iglesia De Dios  
The Church of God Ventura  
The Fellowship House  
Turning Point - New Visions Center  
Turning Point - Our Place Safe Haven  
Turning Point - Oxnard Club House  
Turning Point - Riverhaven  
Turning Point - The Wellness Center  
Turning Point - Veteran's Transitional Housing Program  
UFW Foundation  
United Methodist Church - Thousand Oaks  
Valley Community Foursquare  
VC Rescue Mission  
Ventura 1st Assembly Of God  
Vocational Skill Services  
Vocational Skill Services @ Southwinds Park  
Westminster Free Clinic

Your support of FOOD Share helps these agencies and programs provide meals to our hungry friends in Ventura County.



# Tackling Hunger with the Los Angeles RAMS



Leading up to their much-anticipated Super Bowl game back in February, the Los Angeles Rams took time away from their busy schedules to host and promote the “Souper Bowl of Caring” food drive to Tackle Hunger. In addition, they made a generous \$10,000 donation to help support FOOD Share's ongoing mission of feeding 75,000 people each month.

## Food for Thought

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### Lunch & Tour with the CEO

#### Want to learn more about the FOOD Share operations?

What started in a two-car garage is now a 36,000 sq.ft., 30-person staff operation feeding 75,000 people each month. So much has changed but we've still got a lot of work to accomplish.

We invite you to attend a short tour and lunch (on us!) with our President and CEO, Monica White, on Thursday, **May 16 from 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

Please **RSVP** to **Jennifer** at [jcaldwell@foodshare.com](mailto:jcaldwell@foodshare.com) or (805) 983-7100 x129.

*See you there!*







# Stamp Out Hunger Saturday, May 11

*We invite you...*

to participate in the annual Stamp Out Hunger food drive hosted by the National Association of Letter Carriers on Saturday, May 11, 2019. Place a bag of non-perishable food by your mailbox and your letter carrier will pick it up and deliver it to FOOD Share.



**LETTER CARRIERS'**  
**FOOD DRIVE**  
**SAT., MAY 11, 2019**

**PUT YOUR NON-PERISHABLE DONATION IN A BAG BY YOUR MAILBOX.  
WE'LL DELIVER IT TO A LOCAL FOOD BANK.**

NATIONAL PARTNERS



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