

# *Fighting Hunger in 34 Counties*

FISCAL YEAR 2008  
ANNUAL REPORT

BRUNSWICK  
CARTERET  
CHATHAM  
COLUMBUS  
CRAVEN  
DUPLIN  
DURHAM  
EDGECOMBE  
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GRANVILLE  
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JOHNSTON  
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NEW HANOVER  
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PAMLICO  
PENDER  
PERSON  
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RICHMOND  
SAMPSON  
SCOTLAND  
VANCE  
WAKE  
WARREN  
WAYNE  
WILSON



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## MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina is to harness and supply resources so that no one goes hungry in central and eastern North Carolina.

## WHO WE ARE

The Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina is a nonprofit organization established in 1980 that solicits, collects, stores, and distributes food in 34 counties in central and eastern North Carolina through nearly 900 partner agencies that assist people at risk of hunger. The food is collected from grocery stores, growers, packers, food manufacturers, and members of the community who hold food drives on behalf of the Food Bank. As one of seven Feeding America (formerly America's Second Harvest) affiliates in the state, the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina currently distributes through its main office in Raleigh and branch warehouses in Durham, Greenville, Sandhills (Southern Pines), and Wilmington.

## OUR BRANCHES

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[www.foodbankcenc.org](http://www.foodbankcenc.org)

### The Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina at Durham

708 Gilbert Street, Durham, NC 27701  
919.956.2513

SERVING CHATHAM, DURHAM, GRANVILLE, ORANGE, PERSON, & VANCE COUNTIES

### The Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina at Greenville

497 West 9th Street, Greenville, NC 27834  
252.752.4996

SERVING CARTERET, CRAVEN, EDGEcombe, GREENE, JONES, LENOIR, ONSLOW, PAMLICO, PITT, & WILSON COUNTIES

### The Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina (Main Branch)

3808 Tarheel Drive, Raleigh, NC 27609  
919.875.0707

SERVING DUPLIN, EDGEcombe, FRANKLIN, HALIFAX, HARNETT, JOHNSTON, LEE, NASH, SAMPSON, WAKE, WARREN, WAYNE, & WILSON COUNTIES

### The Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina at Sandhills

195 Sandy Avenue, Southern Pines, NC 28387  
910.692.5959

SERVING LEE, MOORE, RICHMOND, & SCOTLAND COUNTIES

### The Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina at Wilmington

1314 Marsteller Street, Wilmington, NC 28401  
910.251.1465

SERVING BRUNSWICK, COLUMBUS, NEW HANOVER, & PENDER COUNTIES



Dear Neighbors,

First let me say THANK YOU for a great year. Through your donations, grants, partnerships, volunteerism, time, and energy, the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina was able to honor our mission once again by providing food and resources to thousands at risk of hunger in our 34-county service area.

In fiscal year 2007–2008:

- The Food Bank distributed more than 31.5 million pounds of nutritious food through 900 partner agencies.
- In Greenville, when the refurbished beverage truck was no longer operational, the James J. and Mamie Richardson Perkins Trust provided funds for a new, refrigerated truck to be used as the Mobile Food Pantry (MFP). The MFP is a self-contained food distribution vehicle that dispenses food directly to families and individuals in need. It also provides agencies with the ability to distribute greater amounts of perishable items than their storage space and refrigeration capacities would otherwise allow.
- Our Durham Branch was a couple of months away from a milestone of 30 million pounds of food distributed to Chatham, Durham, Granville, Orange, Person, and Vance Counties since 1999.
- Our distribution survived a record drought. Your financial support allowed us to obtain produce from other sources outside of our area.
- Your hard work encouraged our senators and representatives in Washington to support the Farm Bill, particularly the Nutrition Title that will increase access and funding for both Food Stamp and TEFAP participants.
- Our inaugural 2008 Kids Summer Stock campaign provided over 1.2 million meals to those children and families in our region who suffer from hunger. We focused on the 250,000 children eligible for the free and reduced lunch program who would not have access to these meals when school ended. The campaign was a huge success.
- More than 91,000 meals were served to children during the last fiscal year through our Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina Kids Cafe Program. The program is now in 26 of our 34 counties.
- The Bayer CropScience Backpack Program distributed almost 21,000 backpacks in 2007–2008, nearly doubling the distribution of the previous year.

That's why we are here. Our doors remain open to ensure that no one in central and eastern North Carolina goes hungry. For 28 years, the communities we serve have come to depend on us more and more, and that need continues to grow. It is only through your strong support and generosity that we have been able to keep pace with this growing need in our backyards.

Thank you again for all that you do,

Alvin G. Ragland  
Chair, Board of Directors  
Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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## STORE DONATION PROGRAM EXPANDS

Feeding America, formerly America's Second Harvest—The Nation's Food Bank Network, initiated a partnership with Wal-Mart and Kroger as part of the National Store Donation Program. The Store Donation Program facilitates the process of supermarket retailers donating perishable food from their inventory to local food banks. Thanks to Food Lion, our donor of the year, the Food Bank currently picks up at 200 stores. The Store Donation Program has massive potential to expand the quantity of fresh food available to Americans at risk of hunger, allowing food banks to rescue highly nutritious perishable food, such as dairy products, deli items, and meat. It greatly expands the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina's current Retail Recovery Program.

Wal-Mart, Sam's Club, and Kroger stores will all partner with the Food Bank. All stores will donate protein (dairy and meat) to help the Food Bank address the growing need. In addition:

- Locally, the Food Bank will add 64 stores or 120 stops to its fleets' routes.
- To support the new initiative, Wal-Mart provided an \$85,000 truck to facilitate food pick-ups.
- The Lincy Foundation provided a \$65,000 grant to fund a route driver, equipment, and materials to support the program.

In addition to the retail stores that are already a part of this program nationwide, locally we will eventually pick up product from numerous Food Lion stores, Wal-Mart stores, Sam's Clubs, and Kroger stores. These stores are dedicating freezer space to store frozen products, allowing us to conserve fuel with fewer pickups.

Phases of the program have started in some areas (Sam's in September and Kroger in November). Wal-Mart will come on board in mid-2009.

## WHO NEEDS OUR HELP?

In the 34 counties served by the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina, nearly 450,000 people are at risk of hunger. Almost 150,000 of these are children, and more than 42,000 are elderly. Thirty-eight percent have one or more working adults in the household.

## THE POWER TO HELP—MAJOR PROGRAMS

### Fresh Produce Program

In August 1998, the Food Bank began a concerted effort to increase the acquisition and distribution of fresh produce and reduce the amount of edible, nutritious food trucked to landfills. In fiscal year 2007, thanks to funding from Kraft and the generosity of local growers and packers, the Food Bank distributed 7.5 million pounds of fresh produce.

### Mobile Food Pantry

The Mobile Food Pantry, which began in 2000, distributes an average 2.25 million pounds of food each year. A new 22-foot refrigerated truck serves as a self-contained food pantry, providing assistance in rural communities that lack substantial infrastructure and transportation. The Food Bank works in partnership with local sponsors, such as food pantries and churches, to bring the Mobile Food Pantry to rural areas.

### Retail Recovery Program

Our grocery partners are among our top donors and include Food Lion, Harris Teeter, Kroger, and Lowes Foods. Thanks to a signature partnership with Food Lion, the Food Bank and our partner agencies rescue over 7 million pounds of nutritious meats, produce, deli food, and baked goods each year.

### Salvage Program

The Food Bank receives 1 million pounds of salvage each year. Salvage is damaged cans and packages with compromised labels or dents from retail reclamation centers. Volunteers quality-check and repack these items.

### Talking Councils

In 2001, at the request of grassroots partner agencies, the Food Bank established a Rural Enrichment Partnership, now called Talking Councils. The Talking Councils concentrate on addressing the problem of hunger and the underlying causes. The focus is on improving the overall physical well-being and social health of low-income communities, improving the health of disadvantaged children, and creating more opportunities for effective grassroots advocacy.

### Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina Kids Cafe Program

Kids Cafe provides children at risk of hunger with nutritional meals and academic and health education in a well-supervised and accessible environment. Initiated by Feeding America, Kids Cafe provides a positive environment for children to gather after school. This program is presented in collaboration with Blue Cross Blue Shield of NC and consists of 30 sites.

### Bayer CropScience Backpack Program

Our Backpack program, which consists of 22 sites, is intended to meet the nutritional needs of children during non-school hours, especially weekend and long school breaks. Once each week, kids are given backpacks filled with non-perishable food.

## NEW FOOD STAMP OUTREACH PROGRAM

Retirement is not necessarily golden for our seniors. Many Americans do not realize that millions of seniors in our country live in poverty and cannot always afford an adequate diet. The Food and Nutrition Services Program is one of the ways to respond to this complex issue.

In September 2008, the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina launched the new Senior Food and Nutrition Services Outreach Project by hosting an all-day training session.

Funded by Cisco, this project allows us to team up with local Departments of Social Services and select partner agencies to extend the Food Stamp program to our senior population.

**Partner agencies have been selected from Pitt, Moore, and New Hanover Counties to participate in the pilot program.**



## THE POWER TO HELP—REACHING OUT

### Reaching out to Durham

The Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina at Durham, which opened in June 1999, is an 18,500-square-foot warehouse located at 708 Gilbert Street. This branch distributes food to partner agencies in Chatham, Durham, Granville, Orange, Person, and Vance Counties. In fiscal year 2007, the Durham Branch distributed 4,466,680 million pounds of food valued at \$6,655,353.

### Reaching out to Greenville

The Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina at Greenville is a 22,900-square-foot warehouse. Named the Jim and Carolyn Hunt Greenville Branch Warehouse, it is located at 497 West 9th Street and opened in December 1999. This branch serves Carteret, Craven, Edgecombe, Greene, Jones, Lenoir, Onslow, Pamlico, Pitt, and Wilson Counties. (Edgecombe and Wilson Counties are shared with the Raleigh Branch.) In fiscal year 2007, the Greenville Branch distributed 6,520,112 million pounds of food valued at \$9,714,967.

### Reaching out to Raleigh

The main office and warehouse for the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina is a 40,000-square-foot warehouse. The John and Mary Hofler Building is located at 3808 Tarheel Drive. The Raleigh branch serves Duplin, Franklin, Halifax, Harnett, Johnston, Nash, Sampson, Wake, Warren, and Wayne Counties. (Edgecombe and Wilson Counties are shared with the Greenville Branch; Lee County is shared with the Sandhills Branch.) In fiscal year 2007, the Raleigh Branch distributed 12,348,491 pounds of food valued at \$18,399,252.

### Reaching out to Sandhills

The Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina at Sandhills is a 12,500-square-foot warehouse, which is located at 195 Sandy Avenue in Southern Pines. Beginning operations in 1981, this was our first branch to open. The Sandhills branch serves Lee, Moore, Richmond, and Scotland Counties. (Lee County is shared with the Raleigh Branch.) In fiscal year 2007, the Sandhills Branch distributed 3,258,560 million pounds of food valued at \$4,855,254.

### Reaching out to Wilmington

The Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina at Wilmington is an 11,190-square-foot warehouse, which is located at 1314 Marsteller Street. It became a branch of the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina in 2002. The Wilmington branch serves Brunswick, Columbus, New Hanover, and Pender Counties. In fiscal year 2007, the Wilmington Branch distributed 4,000,358 million pounds of food valued at \$5,960,533.

*For every dollar donated, we are able to provide eight dollars worth of food, or four meals.*

# STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

June 30, 2008 and 2007



<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>
Current Assets:		
Cash	\$2,304,068	\$986,156
Investments	500,996	1,535,826
Accounts receivable	80,577	108,686
Accrued interest receivable	88	104
Pledges receivable	15,000	25,000
Grants receivable	37,613	38,496
Inventories—donated food	1,867,477	1,673,601
Prepaid expenses	<u>70,451</u>	<u>98,305</u>
Total current assets	<u>4,876,270</u>	<u>4,466,174</u>
Property and Equipment:		
Building	2,264,971	2,267,675
Furniture and equipment	2,078,873	2,067,106
Leasehold improvements	105,810	105,810
Construction in progress	<u>38,039</u>	<u>7,812</u>
	4,487,693	4,448,403
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>2,006,469</u>	<u>1,854,791</u>
	<u>2,481,224</u>	<u>2,593,612</u>
Other Assets:		
Beneficial interest in Hofler Charitable Remainder Unitrust	473,928	564,351
Pledges receivable—long term, net	0	4,436
Deposits	<u>6,987</u>	<u>7,247</u>
	<u>480,915</u>	<u>576,034</u>
	<u>\$7,838,409</u>	<u>\$7,635,820</u>

<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$204,044	\$97,145
Accrued expenses:		
Accrued retirement payable	58,907	60,268
Accrued vacation payable	56,258	54,597
Accrued salaries and payroll taxes	<u>78,475</u>	<u>75,136</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>397,684</u>	<u>287,146</u>
Net Assets:		
Unrestricted	5,835,917	5,630,333
Temporarily restricted	1,130,881	1,153,990
Permanently restricted—Hofler Charitable Remainder Unitrust	<u>473,927</u>	<u>564,351</u>
	<u>7,440,725</u>	<u>7,348,674</u>
	<u>\$7,838,409</u>	<u>\$7,635,820</u>

# STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

Years Ended June 30,  
2008 and 2007



	2008	2007
Changes in Unrestricted Net Assets:		
Support and revenues:		
Food donated	\$49,144,161	\$57,102,012
Shared maintenance—agencies	934,484	812,327
Food purchase programs	137,947	156,585
Contributions	3,477,938	3,427,004
United Way	255,384	256,579
Governmental awards	719,905	775,377
Goods and services contributed	571,451	754,620
Food drives and other fundraising events	251,215	200,945
Interest	28,667	37,700
Other	3,154	21,996
Special events revenue	1,990	
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	(17,529)	(10,197)
Gain on sale of investments	52,150	44,225
Unrealized (loss) gain on investments	(11,842)	20,889
	<u>55,549,075</u>	<u>63,600,062</u>
Total unrestricted support and revenues before restrictions released		
	<u>1,142,623</u>	<u>773,115</u>
Net assets released from restrictions		
	<u>56,691,698</u>	<u>64,373,177</u>
Total unrestricted support and revenues after restrictions released		
Expenses:		
Program services	54,470,487	63,209,263
Management and general	700,006	780,374
Fundraising	1,310,080	1,125,496
Bad debt expense	5,541	47,931
	<u>56,486,114</u>	<u>65,163,064</u>
Total expenses		
(Decrease) Increase in unrestricted net assets	<u>\$205,584</u>	<u>\$(789,887)</u>
Changes in Temporarily Restricted Net Assets:		
Support and revenues:		
Contributions	\$1,119,514	\$495,870
Net assets released from restrictions	(1,142,623)	(773,115)
	<u>\$(23,109)</u>	<u>\$(277,245)</u>
Decrease in temporarily restricted net assets		
Changes in Permanently Restricted Net Assets:		
Support and revenues:		
Change in beneficial interest in Hofler Charitable Remainder Unitrust	<u>\$(90,424)</u>	<u>\$70,761</u>
	<u>\$(90,424)</u>	<u>\$70,761</u>
(Decrease) increase in permanently restricted net assets		
Increase (decrease) in unrestricted net assets	\$205,584	\$(789,887)
Decrease in temporarily restricted net assets	(23,109)	(277,245)
(Decrease) increase in permanently restricted net assets	(90,424)	70,761
	92,051	(996,371)
Net assets at beginning of year	<u>7,348,674</u>	<u>8,345,045</u>
Net assets at end of year	<u>\$7,440,725</u>	<u>\$7,348,674</u>

The Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina, Inc. financial statements were audited by Williams Overman Pierce LLP, Certified Public Accountants and are available in their entirety upon request.



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IN FISCAL YEAR  
2007-2008:

**19,145** individual donors contributed.

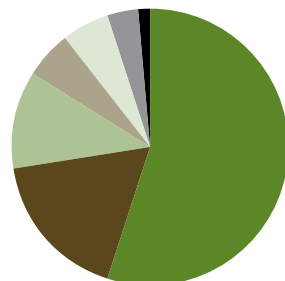
**16,000** gave \$100 or less.

Our smallest individual gift was **\$.10**

and our largest individual gift was

**\$25,000.**

**8,500** were first time donors.



## Our Donors

■ Individuals	55.0%
■ Foundations	17.5%
■ Corporations	11.5%
■ Events/Food Drives	5.6%
■ United Way	5.6%
■ Religious	3.5%
■ Other	1.3%