

2005–2006 Organizational Profile



COUNTIES SERVED

There are 34 counties in the Food Bank's service area: Brunswick, Carteret, Chatham, Columbus, Craven, Duplin, Durham, Edgecombe, Franklin, Granville, Greene, Halifax, Harnett, Johnston, Jones, Lee, Lenoir, Moore, Nash, New Hanover, Onslow, Orange, Pamlico, Pender, Person, Pitt, Richmond, Sampson, Scotland, Vance, Wake, Warren, Wayne, and Wilson Counties. Duplin, Harnett, and Sampson counties are also served by the Second Harvest Food Bank of Southeast North Carolina.

OUR SERVICE AREA

- The total population is 2,895,213.¹
- 405,153 individuals live at or below the poverty level.²
- 43,640 individuals 65 years and older live at or below the poverty level.¹
- 211,189 individuals age 18 to 64 years live at or below the poverty level.¹
- 143,640 children live at or below the poverty level.²

DISTRIBUTION

In 2005–06, the total distribution for Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina was 31,387,964³ pounds of food. During the past four years, the Food Bank experienced a food distribution growth of 62.2 percent in the 34-county service area.

THE FOOD BANK NETWORK

The Food Bank serves more than 890 partner agencies in a 34-county service area. Our partner agencies operate 526 food pantries, 139 group homes, 117 after school programs, 58 shelters, 54 soup kitchens, 41 day cares, 23 elderly nutrition programs, and 10 sheltered workshops.

MAJOR LOCAL FOOD DONORS

The Food Bank receives local support from wholesalers, brokers, retailers, grocery stores, and many others. We also rely on community food drives and food donations. During 2005–06, community food drives and food donations equaled 1,297,876 pounds of food.

VOLUNTEERS

During 2005–06, volunteers logged over 99,000 hours of service to Food Bank programs, events, and activities—the equivalent of over 47 full-time employees.

KIDS CAFE

During 2005–06, the fifteen Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina Kids Cafe programs at 16 sites in our 34-county service area served over 83,630 meals over 39 weeks to children at risk for hunger. Today we have 16 programs at 17 sites. Volunteer support at the sites totaled more than 10,869 hours.

¹ US Census, Census 2000 American Fact Finder Summary File 3.

² US Census, 2003 Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates.

³ Distribution number does not include pounds received from the main warehouse in Raleigh.

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