

ECU AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY

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What they do: Members of the East Carolina University subunit of the American Fisheries Society volunteer several times a semester, labeling cans, sorting sweet potatoes or cleaning and candling eggs. "Each task presents its own challenge," says Jillian Osborne, who coordinates the group's volunteer work at the Food Bank. "We are just a small group of individuals, but can sort thousands of sweet potatoes in such a short period of time. It is incredible to think about how many people can benefit from just a few hours of light labor and enjoyment from volunteers."

Why they do it: "When ECU-AFS started volunteering at the Food Bank we did not realize the sheer volume of food supplies that would have been thrown away if was not for the people at the Food Bank," Osborne says. "Our students are just a small part of the solution, but we can truly see the impact that just a couple of hours every month or two can make."

Why is the Food Bank important? "The Food Bank is a pillar in our community," Osborne says. "It feeds those in need, offers emergency food assistance and also cuts down on the amount of wasted food from our local community. The Food Bank offers an efficient and easy solution to both hunger and human wastefulness."



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