



*Second Harvest*

**Food Bank**

*of Northwest Pennsylvania*

ANNUAL REPORT

**2021-2022**



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## Second Harvest celebrates 40 years in the community!

The seeds of our food bank were planted in 1982, when the Erie Community Food Bank was formed under the leadership of Sister Augusta Hamel, OSB, at the old Curtze Warehouse located on East 21st Street. With increased donations, a new 29,000 square foot warehouse was found the following year at 1703 Ash Street to accommodate those in need.

In 1983, the Erie Community Food Bank became a member of the Second Harvest National Network along with 39 other food banks across the United States. In 1985, the Erie Community Food Bank was recognized as a national leader in food banking for computerized record keeping and having a well-equipped facility.

In 1990, the Erie Community Food Bank was renamed Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest Pennsylvania to better represent its service area. In 1993, Suzanne Cascio was appointed the new Executive Director of the food bank.

As food banking services continued to expand in our region, Karen Seggi became Executive Director in 2001. Under her guidance, a new facility was purchased in 2008 on Grimm Drive in Erie to expand our warehouse capacity to 60,000 square feet. A fleet of trucks were soon on the road to deliver to those who were food insecure.

Today, Second Harvest provides food to those in need in 11 counties of northwest Pennsylvania while creating awareness and educating the community on the realities of hunger. Our vision remains steadfast for a hunger-free community as we commemorate our 40 years of food banking!



**Dear Friends of the Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest Pennsylvania,**

I am immensely proud to present to you our 2021 – 2022 Annual Report. With our food bank operating in a new world due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the following accomplishments mean more to us than ever before. This was only possible due to our dedicated staff, donors, volunteers, and community partners. We thank each one of you for your steadfast support during this difficult year. This publication is a snapshot of our mission in action! Your food bank unwaveringly fed thousands of hungry men, women, and children in all 11 counties of northwest Pennsylvania, all while remaining on the front lines of hunger education and advocacy. While this fiscal year is in the books, our world and its people are forever changed due to the pandemic. Sadly, hunger continues to affect our community and we have no plans to slow down our efforts. My hope is that by reviewing this report, you realize how important your impact is to our community and that each dollar given or minute spent volunteering can truly make a difference to our neighbors in need. I kindly invite you to stop by and visit our facility for a tour, volunteer your time at one of our mobile Produce Express programs, or even host a food drive with your friends and family. Only together will we be able to help end food insecurity.

Sincerely,  
  
 Karen Seggi

## Fiscal Year 2021-2022 (beginning July 1)

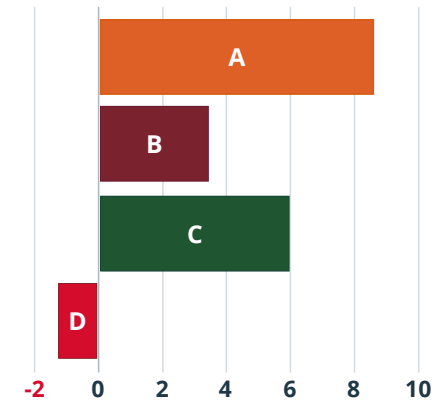
### Revenue

(A) Donated Food & Non-Cash Donations: \$8,551,525

(B) Grant Revenue: \$3,353,239

(C) Operating Revenue: \$4,869,034

(D) Change in Investments & Assets: (\$1,243,539)



### Expenses

(E) Program Services: \$15,773,720

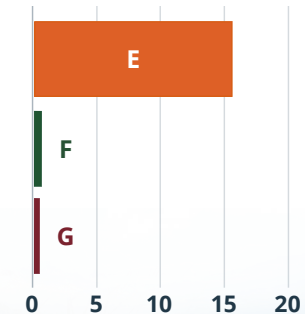
(F) Management & General: \$580,490

(G) Fundraising: \$453,480

Decrease in net assets: (\$1,277,431)

Beginning net assets \$14,052,131

Ending net assets \$12,774,700





## Food Distributions

|   |      |
|---|------|
| Emergency Food Pantries/<br>Mobile Distributions..... | 78%  |
| Senior Programs .....                                 | 7%   |
| Soup Kitchens/Shelters .....                          | 7%   |
| Child Feeding Programs.....                           | 5%   |
| Other Food Banks.....                                 | 2%   |
| Non-Emergency Agencies .....                          | < 1% |
| Total Pounds Distributed:                             |      |
| 9,852,890   |      |

## Food Donations

|                           |     |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Feeding America.....      | 41% |
| Purchased.....            | 30% |
| Federal Commodities ..... | 17% |
| Local Donations.....      | 9%  |
| Food Drives.....          | 3%  |
| Total Pounds Received:    |     |
| 9,349,987                 |     |

## Fundraiser & Food Drive Data

|                     |                                 |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| 2021-22 Fiscal Year |                                 |
| Fundraisers .....   | 201 for a total of \$709,707.00 |
| 2021-22 Fiscal Year |                                 |
| Food Drives .....   | 127 for a total of 212,834 lbs. |



|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Number of member agencies.....  | 414         |
| Number of food insecure individuals<br>in Northwest Pennsylvania<br>(Map the Meal Gap 2020).....                | 88,670      |
| Number of food insecure children<br>(Map the Meal Gap 2020).....  | 25,590      |
| Number of senior boxes<br>distributed.....  | 25,541      |
| Number of BackPacks<br>distributed.....   | 82,624      |
| Number of Backpack<br>programs.....   | 49          |
| Number of School Pantry<br>programs.....  | 19          |
| How much money would<br>be needed to meet the food needs<br>in our service area<br>(Map the Meal Gap 2020)..... | \$46,066,00 |
| Pounds of food rescued through<br>MealConnect.....  | 15,668      |
| Number of agencies onboarded<br>with MealConnect.....   | 71          |
| Number of MealConnect donors .....  | 60          |
| Overall pounds of food rescued<br>(including MealConnect).....  | 4,234,273   |
| Number of food rescue agencies.....   | 74          |
| Number of food rescue donors.....   | 181         |



# Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest Pennsylvania Member Agencies & Distribution Partners by County 2021-2022

Thank you to our community organization partners, with whom we collaborate every day. We could not meet our mission of providing food to those in need within 11 counties of northwest Pennsylvania without the help of our anti-hunger network of 414 member agencies and distribution partners.



## CAMERON COUNTY

Cameron County Community Food Pantry  
CSFP - Emporium Arms  
CSFP - First United Methodist Church - Cameron  
Food for the Soul Food Pantry  
SHFB Backpack at Woodland Elementary School

## CLARION COUNTY

Clarion First United Methodist Church Food Pantry  
Cornerstone Church of God Food Pantry  
CSFP - Allegheny Hills Retirement  
CSFP - Broadwood Tower  
CSFP - Charitable Deeds  
CSFP - Cherry Run  
CSFP - Edenburg Court  
CSFP - Liberty Towers  
CSFP - Regency Commons  
First Presbyterian Church of Clarion Food Pantry

JIT Food Pantry - Strattanville United Methodist Church  
Keystone Smiles Learning Center  
Knox Clarion County Food Distribution  
Redbank Valley Food Pantry  
Share-A-Care Food Pantry  
SHFB Backpack at Clarion Limestone Elementary School  
Zion Jesus Food Pantry

## CLEARFIELD COUNTY

Clearfield Ministerium Food Pantry  
CSFP - Curwensville House Apartments  
CSFP - Decatur Village  
CSFP - Dimeling Senior Residence  
CSFP - Dubois Area Food Pantry  
CSFP - Gateway Tower Apartments  
CSFP - Gray Foundation Apartments  
CSFP - Hawk Run Apts  
CSFP - Houztdale  
CSFP - Living Bread  
CSFP - Park Avenue Towers

CSFP - Saint Michael Terrace  
Dubois Food Pantry  
Emmanuel Church of the Nazarene Soup Kitchen  
Living Bread Ministries Food Pantry  
Salvation Army Dubois Food Pantry  
School Pantry - Dubois Area High School  
SHFB Backpack at Dubois Area Middle School  
SHFB Backpack at Wasson Elementary School  
West Branch Food Pantry

## CRAWFORD COUNTY

Associated Charities Food Pantry  
Bethesda Youth Services - Youth Rehab  
Center for Family Services Food Pantry  
Conneaut Valley Food Pantry  
CSFP - Bartlett Gardens  
CSFP - Billie Brown Building  
CSFP - Central Towers - Crawford  
CSFP - Conneaut Valley Food Pantry  
CSFP - Linesville Area Food Pantry  
CSFP - Palfund  
CSFP - Samaritans of Conneaut Lake  
CSFP - Stone United Methodist Church  
CSFP - Titusville Health & Aging Center  
CSFP - Washington Street Apartments  
Hermitage House - O.S.N.E. - Youth Rehab  
Linesville Area Food Pantry  
Living Waters Church Food Pantry  
Mobile Food Pantry - Centerville First United Methodist Church  
Mobile Food Pantry - St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
SHFB Mobile Food Pantry - Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Oil Valley Food Pantry  
Perseus House - Andromeda ITU - O.S.N.E. - Youth Rehab  
Perseus House - Andromeda RTF - Youth Rehab  
Salvation Army Meadville Food Pantry  
St. James Episcopal Church Community Soup Kitchen  
St. James Episcopal Church Food Cupboard Food Pantry  
Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church Food Pantry  
United Faith Fellowship Church of God Food Pantry

## ELK COUNTY

SHFB Backpack at Bennetts Valley Elementary School  
SHFB Backpack at Fox Township Elementary School  
SHFB Backpack at St. Marys Elementary School  
Christian Food Bank  
CSFP - Duffy Apts  
CSFP - ELCO Glen  
CSFP - Elk Towers  
CSFP - Fox Township Manor  
CSFP - Saint Joseph's Terrace  
CSFP - Salvation Army Ridgway  
Helping Hand Food Pantry of Elk County  
Salvation Army Ridgway Food Pantry

## ERIE COUNTY

Abundant Life Ministries Soup Kitchen  
Adagio Health Food Pantry  
Benetwood Apartments - O.S.N.E. - Residence Seniors  
Bethany Outreach Food Pantry  
Blessed Sacrament Church Food Pantry  
SHFB Backpack at Asbury Elementary School  
SHFB Backpack at Belle Valley Elementary School  
SHFB Backpack at Chestnut Hill Elementary School  
SHFB Backpack at Diehl Elementary School  
SHFB Backpack at Eagle's Nest School  
SHFB Backpack at Edison Elementary School  
SHFB Backpack at Emerson - Gridley School  
SHFB Backpack at Erie Rise Leadership Academy School  
SHFB Backpack at Grandview Elementary School  
SHFB Backpack at Grover Cleveland Elementary School  
SHFB Backpack at Harding Elementary School  
SHFB Backpack at Iroquois Elementary School  
SHFB Backpack at Jefferson Elementary School  
SHFB Backpack at Joanna Connell Elementary School  
SHFB Backpack at Klein Elementary School  
SHFB Backpack at Lincoln Elementary School



SHFB Backpack at McKinley Elementary School  
 SHFB Backpack at Mill Village Elementary School  
 SHFB Backpack at North East Elementary School  
 SHFB Backpack at Northwestern Elementary School  
 SHFB Backpack at Perry Elementary School  
 SHFB Backpack at Pfeiffer Burleigh Elementary School  
 SHFB Backpack at Robison Elementary School  
 SHFB Backpack at Rolling Ridge Elementary School  
 SHFB Backpack at Sarah Reed School  
 SHFB Backpack at Springfield Elementary School  
 SHFB Backpack at Tracy Elementary School  
 SHFB Backpack at Union City Elementary School  
 SHFB Backpack at Waterford Elementary School  
 Cathedral of St. Paul Food Pantry  
 Center City Apartments (Hands) Food Pantry  
 Christian Cupboard Food Pantry  
 Church of The Nativity Food Pantry  
 City Mission Shelter Soup Kitchen  
 Climate Changers Food Pantry  
 Community Country Day School - at Risk School  
 Community of Caring Food Pantry  
 Community of Caring - Shelter  
 Community of Caring Diabetic Food Pantry  
 Community Shelter Service  
 Cornerstone Erie Liberty Community Church Food Pantry  
 Corry Area Food Pantry

CSFP - 4 Nine  
 CSFP - Barnett Building Albion  
 CSFP - Battles Village  
 CSFP - Battles Village Parking Lot - SHFB  
 CSFP - Benetwood Apartments  
 CSFP - Bethany Outreach  
 CSFP - Cathedral of St. Paul  
 CSFP - Center Place Apartments  
 CSFP - College View Apartments  
 CSFP - Corry Area Food Pantry  
 CSFP - Edinboro Food Pantry Senior Boxes  
 CSFP - Edinlake Apartments  
 CSFP - Elk Valley Manor  
 CSFP - Ella Cochran  
 CSFP - Elmwood  
 CSFP - Federated Church  
 CSFP - Friendship Apartments - EHA  
 CSFP - Glenwood UM Church  
 CSFP - Grandview Manor  
 CSFP - Highland Village Apartments  
 CSFP - Highpoint Towers - SHFB  
 CSFP - Home House of Erie Food Pantry  
 CSFP - JFK Center  
 CSFP - John Horan Garden Apts.  
 CSFP - Life - NWPA  
 CSFP - Lowville Food Pantry  
 CSFP - Manly Heights  
 CSFP - Martin Luther King  
 CSFP - Methodist Towers  
 CSFP - Mid City Towers  
 CSFP - Northwestern Food Pantry  
 CSFP - Ostrow Apts - EHA  
 CSFP - Pleasant Manor  
 CSFP - Richford Arms  
 CSFP - Ridgebury - Hands  
 CSFP - Saint Andrew Food Pantry  
 CSFP - Saint Joseph Apartments  
 CSFP - Saint Martin Center Senior Boxes

CSFP - Salisbury Apartments  
 CSFP - Salvation Army Erie  
 CSFP - Schmid Towers - EHA  
 CSFP - SHFB  
 CSFP - Sister Mary Pascal  
 CSFP - Tullio Towers  
 CSFP - Union City Full Gospel Church  
 CSFP - Union City Senior Center  
 CSFP - Villa Apts.  
 CSFP - Waterford Food Pantry  
 CSFP - Wesleyville FP Senior Boxes  
 CSFP - West Millcreek Food Pantry  
 Early Connections Childcare  
 Edinboro Emergency Food Pantry  
 Ella Cochran Food Pantry  
 Elmwood Avenue Presbyterian Church Food Pantry  
 Emmaus Ministries Kids Café Soup Kitchen  
 Emmaus Food Pantry  
 Emmaus Soup Kitchen  
 Erie Rise Leadership Academy  
 Fairview Presbyterian Church Food Pantry  
 First Alliance Church Food Pantry  
 Gaudenzia - House of Healing Shelter  
 Gaudenzia Community House - Shelter/Rehab  
 Glenwood United Methodist Church Food Pantry  
 Harborcreek Youth Services - O.S.N.E. - Youth Rehab  
 Heavenly Pentecostal Mission Church Food Pantry  
 Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Food Pantry  
 Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Soup & Pasta Kitchen  
 Home House of Erie Food Pantry  
 Islamic Association of Erie Food Pantry  
 John F Kennedy Kids Café Soup Kitchen  
 Kearsarge Area Food Pantry  
 Lowville Food Pantry

Martin Luther King After School - Youth Program  
 Martin Luther King Center Food Pantry  
 Mercy Center For Women - Shelter/Rehab  
 Mercyhurst Child Learning - Childcare  
 MHEDS  
 Mobile Food Pantry - Federated Church E. Springfield  
 Neighborhood Watch #13 Snoops Food Pantry  
 Northwestern Food Pantry  
 Our Lady of Mt. Caramel/ St. Luke Catholic Church Food Pantry  
 Perseus House - Brighter Horizons - Youth Rehab  
 Perseus House - Enhanced RTF - Youth Rehab  
 Perseus House - RTF - O.S.N.E. - Youth Rehab  
 Project Hope Liberty House - Shelter/Rehab  
 R. B. Wiley Community Charter School - at Risk School  
 RCCG - Redeemed Christian Church of God Food Pantry  
 Sacred Heart Church Food Pantry  
 Safe Journey - Shelter  
 Safenet - Shelter  
 Salvation Army Corry Food Pantry  
 Salvation Army Corry Soup Kitchen  
 Salvation Army Social Services Erie Food Pantry  
 School Pantry - Clark Elementary School  
 School Pantry - Elk Valley School  
 School Pantry - Corry Area High School  
 School Pantry - East Middle School  
 School Pantry - Emerson Gridley  
 School Pantry - Erie High School  
 School Pantry - Iroquois High School  
 School Pantry - Rice Avenue Middle School



School Pantry - Strong Vincent Middle School  
 School Pantry - Wilson Middle School  
 Second Baptist Church Food Pantry  
 SHFB Military Share - Erie at SHFB  
 SHFB Mobile Food Pantry at Eastbrook Apartments  
 SHFB Mobile Food Pantry at Eastminster Church  
 SHFB Mobile Food Pantry at John Horan Garden Apartments  
 SHFB Mobile Food Pantry at North East  
 SHFB Mobile Food Pantry at Union City  
 SHFB Mobile Food Pantry at Corry  
 SHFB Mobile Food Pantry at SHFB  
 Shiloh Baptist Church Food Pantry  
 Sister Pascal Food Pantry  
 Sisters St. Joseph Neighborhood Network Soup Kitchen  
 St. Andrew Church Food Pantry  
 St. Ann Church (at Holy Family Church) Food Pantry  
 St. Boniface Church Food Pantry  
 St. George Church Food Pantry  
 St. James Church Food Pantry  
 St. John's Lutheran Church Food Pantry  
 St. Joseph Bread of Life Church Food Pantry  
 St. Martin Center Bishops Breakfast Soup Kitchen  
 St. Martin Center Food Pantry  
 St. Paul Roman Catholic Church Food Pantry  
 St. Peter Cathedral Food Pantry  
 St. Vincent Healthy Food Center Food Pantry  
 Summit Community Food Pantry  
 15 Supportive Living Services - Group Homes  
 The Refuge Shelter  
 Union City Full Gospel Church Food Pantry  
 Union City Food Pantry  
 Upper Room  
 Waterford Food Pantry  
 Wesleyville Interfaith Church Food Pantry  
 West Millcreek Food Pantry  
 Women's Care Center  
 Women's Care Center Education Program - Student Program  
 Women's Care Center - Adult Program  
 YMCA Downtown - Childcare  
 YMCA Erie Heights - After School

YMCA Glenwood - Childcare  
 YMCA Greater Erie - Youth Program

### FOREST COUNTY

SHFB Backpack at East Forest Elementary School  
 SHFB Backpack at West Forest Elementary School  
 CSFP - North Clarion/Marienville Food Pantry  
 CSFP - W. Forest Food Pantry  
 North Clarion/Marienville Food Pantry  
 Western Forest County Food Pantry

### JEFFERSON COUNTY

SHFB Backpack at Hickory Grove Elementary School  
 SHFB Backpack at Pinecreek Elementary School  
 Brookville Area Food Pantry  
 Cross Town Punxy Food Pantry  
 CSFP - Brookville Food Pantry  
 CSFP - Cascade Village  
 CSFP - Jefferson Street Highrise  
 CSFP - Mahoning Towers  
 CSFP - North Fork Heights  
 CSFP - Salvation Army Punxsutawney  
 CSFP - Sunrise Terrace  
 CSFP - The Foundry  
 CSFP - Toby Terrace  
 Reynoldsville Aid, Inc. Food Pantry  
 Reynoldsville Area Food Pantry

### MCKEAN COUNTY

SHFB Backpack at George Blaisdell Elementary School  
 SHFB Backpack at Kane Elementary School  
 CSFP - Central Towers - McKean  
 CSFP - Destinations Bradford  
 CSFP - Eldred Senior Center  
 CSFP - Kane Community Center  
 CSFP - Saint Josephs Episcopal Church  
 CSFP - Salvation Army Bradford  
 Destinations Bradford Food Pantry  
 Duke Center United Methodist Church Food Pantry  
 Evergreen Elm  
 First United Methodist Church of Bradford Food Pantry  
 Friendship Table Inc. Soup Kitchen  
 Gathered from the Grove Food Pantry

JIT Food Pantry - St. Elizabeth of Hungary  
 Kane Area Community Center  
 Kane Area Food Pantry  
 Mobile Food Pantry - Church of The Ascension  
 Port Allegany Food Pantry  
 Salvation Army Bradford Food Pantry  
 School Pantry - Floyd C. Fretz Middle School  
 Smethport - Christian Community Services Food Pantry  
 YWCA Bradford Food Pantry

### VENANGO COUNTY

SHFB Backpack at Central Elementary School  
 SHFB Backpack at Hasson Heights School  
 SHFB Backpack at Sandycreek Elementary School  
 SHFB Backpack at Victory Elementary School  
 Community Pantry Project Food Pantry  
 Community Services of Venango County Food Pantry  
 Community Services of Venango - Rocky Grove Food Pantry  
 Cranberry Area Food Pantry  
 CSFP - Christ Episcopal Church  
 CSFP - Christ UMC  
 CSFP - Clintonville Apartments  
 CSFP - Clintonville Community Pantry Project  
 CSFP - Community Services of Venango  
 CSFP - Cranberry Area Food Pantry  
 CSFP - Franklin Towers  
 CSFP - Luther Place  
 CSFP - Moran Towers  
 CSFP - Oak Hill Apts  
 CSFP - Siverly Apartments  
 Emmaus Haven of Venango  
 Family Service & Childrens Aid Society - Shelter/Rehab  
 JIT Food Pantry - Chapel On The Hill  
 JIT Food Pantry - Pleasantville UMC  
 Salvation Army Franklin Soup Kitchen  
 Salvation Army Oil City Food Pantry  
 Salvation Army Oil City Soup Kitchen  
 School Pantry - Oil City Middle School  
 School Pantry/Backpack - Franklin Jr Sr High School  
 SHFB Military Share at Franklin  
 St. Elizabeth Center Food Pantry

St. John Episcopal Church Food Pantry  
 St. Patrick Church Food Pantry  
 The Crossing Free Methodist Church Food Pantry

### WARREN COUNTY

SHFB Backpack at Eisenhower Elementary School  
 SHFB Backpack at Sheffield Area Elementary  
 SHFB Backpack at Tidioute Community Charter School  
 SHFB Backpack at Warren Area Elementary Center  
 SHFB Backpack at Youngsville Elementary School  
 CSFP - Canterbury Court  
 CSFP - Conewango Towers  
 CSFP - Free Methodist Church  
 CSFP - Rouse Manor  
 CSFP - Saint Joseph Church  
 CSFP - Tidioute Towers  
 First Church of The Nazarene Food Pantry  
 JIT Food Pantry - First Lutheran Church  
 JIT Food Pantry - Free Methodist  
 JIT Food Pantry - Otterbein United Methodist Church  
 Maria House Projects - Adult Shelter/Rehab  
 Salvation Army Warren Food Pantry  
 Salvation Army Warren Soup Kitchen  
 School Pantry - Beatty - Warren Middle School  
 School Pantry - Eisenhower High - Middle School  
 School Pantry - Sheffield Area Middle - High School  
 School Pantry - Tidioute Community Charter School  
 School Pantry - Warren Area High School  
 School Pantry - Youngsville High School  
 Sheffield Area Food Pantry  
 SHFB Military Share at Warren  
 SHFB Mobile Food Pantry at Warren  
 SHFB Mobile Food Pantry at Tidioute Fire Hall  
 St. Joseph Church Food Pantry  
 St. Joseph Church Soup Kitchen  
 Sugar Grove Free Methodist Church Food Pantry  
 Youngsville Free Methodist Church Soup Kitchen  
 Youngsville Ministerium Food Pantry



|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| August    | <b>Erie Gives</b>   |
| September | <b>Hunger Action Month</b>  |
| November  | <b>Erie News Now Food Drive</b><br><b>Erie Insurance Turkey Man</b> |
| February  | <b>Check Out Hunger</b>   |
| March     | <b>Empty Bowls</b>  |
| May       | <b>Warren Gives</b><br><b>NALC Food Drive</b>                       |
| June      | <b>Highmark Walk for</b><br><b>a Healthy Community</b>              |



### Child Feeding Programs

For many children, school breakfasts and lunches may be the only meals they consistently receive. To ensure these children receive proper nutrition on the weekend, the Second Harvest Backpack Program provides nutritious, child-friendly foods on Fridays each week during the school year. The Second Harvest School Pantry Program provides food and other necessities to these children and their families in safe, familiar locations within their school.

### Produce Express

Our Produce Express Program delivers food directly to clients when traditional food pantries may not be available. This program provides fresh, healthy produce, and shelf stable items to those who normally would not have access to it. Second Harvest continues to encourage healthier eating and better nutritional choices by offering a variety of items.



## Military Share

Military Share, a Produce Express Program, is designed to provide fresh, nutritious foods for families with at least one member who is currently serving or has served in the Armed Forces.

## PA Senior Food Box Program

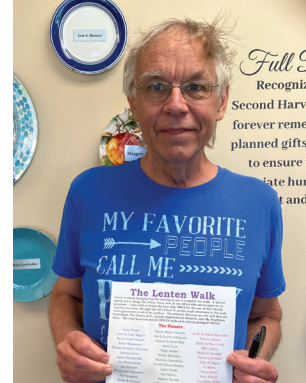
The U.S.D.A. provides food items for distribution to low-income seniors to supplement what they can purchase on their own or receive from other food assistance programs.

## Healthy Pantry Initiative

The PA Healthy Pantry Initiative (HPI) equips our food pantries with the tools they need to become a community resource for promoting healthy food choices and nutrition education. The program aims to combat chronic disease and improve the health of pantry clients.

## Food Rescue & MealConnect

Second Harvest Food Bank has been rescuing food since its beginning in 1982. We now rescue food from over 130 food establishments and redistribute it to hunger relief agencies in 11 different counties throughout northwest Pennsylvania. As a partner with Feeding America, we are now using their innovative MealConnect tool to orchestrate even more food rescues. This tool is designed to be a convenient, free, and safe way for businesses of any size to reduce wasted food and donate surplus meals throughout our community.



## Donor - Thank you

In the 2021 – 2022 fiscal year, Second Harvest had 7,144 unique donors with 13,735 gifts totaling over \$3.3 million. Gifts come in the way of grants, direct mail, fundraisers, and planned giving. All donations, no matter the amount, help us feed the over 88,670 food insecure individuals in our region. We couldn't fulfill our mission of providing food and hunger education without your help. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you!

## Volunteer - Thank you

Volunteers are critical to the mission and success of the Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest Pennsylvania. Our Food Bank hosted an average of 114 volunteers per week and over 1,700 volunteers in total. Our selfless volunteers donated over 13,000 hours to Second Harvest in the 2021-22 fiscal year. Without volunteers, Second Harvest would have to hire at least 6 additional full-time employees to cover the time and work donated each year. Thank you to all Second Harvest volunteers for supporting our mission through the donation of time.

*If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please contact our Volunteer and Special Events Coordinator at (814) 459-3663 Ext. 113.*



## Donate Funds

The efforts of Second Harvest would not be possible without the generous support from individuals throughout the community.

### Donate in-Person, by Mail, or Online

To make a donation, please mail it in or drop it off to:

Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest Pennsylvania  
1507 Grimm Drive  
Erie, PA 16501

Your secure donation may also be made online at

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



## Become a Hunger Hero

We want the donation process to be simple and secure for our supporters, which is why we created a monthly, online giving option. By becoming a Hunger Hero, your gift is automatically deducted from a checking account or credit card and goes to work helping those in need each month. For more information, visit [www.nwpafoodbank.org/hero](http://www.nwpafoodbank.org/hero).

## Host a Fundraiser

Fundraisers are a great way to create awareness and educate our community on the realities of hunger. Each fundraiser is recognized at our annual Bread Box Award Luncheon. If you are planning a special event or fundraiser, please contact our Volunteer & Special Events Coordinator at (814) 459-3663, Ext. 113.

## Full Plate Society

Many supporters of Second Harvest provide gifts that can benefit others in perpetuity. Members of the Full Plate Society are those that make long-term, planned gifts. These gifts ensure that our mission to alleviate hunger will continue for current and future generations. Contact our Director of Development at (814) 459-3663, Ext. 114 for more information.



## Donate Food

People face hunger every day in our community and food donations are needed year-round. Donating food to Second Harvest plays an essential role in alleviating hunger and there are a variety of ways to become involved.

### Donate Items Directly

Donate from your cupboards, grocery cart, or garden by simply visiting the Second Harvest warehouse Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. If you live in another part of our service area and would like to donate food, please contact us for a member agency in your area that you can donate to directly.

### Host a Food Drive

Donate by hosting or participating in a food drive held at your school, church, organization, or place of business. Each food drive held to benefit Second Harvest is eligible for a chance to win a Bread Box Award. Food drives are also great for creating awareness and educating our community on the realities of hunger.

For help planning a food drive, please contact our Volunteer & Special Events Coordinator at (814) 459-3663, Ext. 113.

### Bread Box Awards

The annual Bread Box Awards recognize the efforts of groups and individuals who host fundraisers and food collections for Second Harvest. Events are judged on creativity, community awareness, and amount collected. For a list of past Bread Box winners, please visit:

[www.nwpafoodbank.org/the-bread-box-awards/](http://www.nwpafoodbank.org/the-bread-box-awards/)

*\*Due to the COVID-19 Global Pandemic, the 2020 and 2021 Bread Box Awards were unable to take place.*

## Donate Time

Volunteers are critical to the mission and success of Second Harvest. Last year, thousands of community members volunteered to help us carry out our mission. Individuals, families, and groups are welcome. Times are available on weekdays and Saturdays during the school year.

### Volunteer Projects

**Grocery Reclamation** - Sorting, labeling, and repackaging food.

**Backpack Program** - Packing bags containing enough food for children to have multiple breakfasts, lunches, and dinners over the weekends.

**Senior Boxes** - Packing supplemental food boxes to be distributed to low-income seniors each month.

**Gleaning** - Meet Second Harvest staff members at local farms to harvest fruits and vegetables. This is a great volunteer opportunity for large groups.

**Produce Express & Military Share Distributions** - Meet Second Harvest staff members at various distribution sites to help distribute fresh and nutritious produce and other pantry staples to those in need.

**Special Events** - Help Second Harvest at a variety of special events throughout our 11-county service area. Please check our website for the latest event details.

If you are interested in volunteering for any of our volunteer opportunities, please contact our Volunteer & Special Events Coordinator at (814) 459-3663, Ext. 113 or register for a volunteer shift, by visiting:

[www.nwpafoodbank.org/become-a-volunteer/](http://www.nwpafoodbank.org/become-a-volunteer/)

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## OUR MISSION:

To provide food to those in need within 11 counties of northwest Pennsylvania while creating awareness and educating the community on the realities of hunger.

## OUR VISION:

A hunger-free community.

