



# Committed to solving hunger in Idaho

*The Idaho Foodbank is a donor-supported, nonprofit organization dedicated to hunger relief through food distribution, education, and advocacy.*



## Programs that make a difference

In addition to food distribution, we support various hunger-relief and educational programs that promote healthy families and communities.

### Backpack

a program of The Idaho Foodbank

Qualifying elementary-age children receive a backpack full of child-friendly food every Friday during the school year to ensure adequate nutrition through the weekend.

### School Pantry

a Program of The Idaho Foodbank



During the school year, families of school-age children have access to nourishing, emergency food in an environment that is both familiar and supportive.

### Picnic

in the park



From June to August, five days a week, children in low-income neighborhoods enjoy a nourishing lunch and educational/physical activity provided in a local community park.



Food is distributed through our facilities in Boise, Pocatello, and Lewiston to a network of more than 200 community partners working in 39 of 44 Idaho counties.

# 1984

Idaho Surplus Food Warehouse (The Idaho Foodbank) opens.

# 1985

255,365 lbs.



# 2014

14,500,000 lbs.



Food distributed by the Foodbank in 1985 vs 2014.

*"The Backpack program has created the largest noticeable difference in attendance, self-esteem, disposition, and energy levels – all play a huge role in education attainment."*

*—School Staff*

*School Pantry "It's not that easy to swallow your pride and ask for help. But the Pierce Park (Elementary School) staff made it easier."*

*—Boise Mom*



Instructional program for all ages that provides practical nutrition and budgeting information as well as tasty recipes and hands-on cooking lessons.



Distributes fresh and shelf-stable food on a regularly scheduled basis to under-served (primarily rural) communities that don't have a local pantry or alternative food program.



## Donated food fills the distribution network



More than 90% of the millions of pounds of food we distribute each year is donated. Much of it comes through partnerships with corporations and organizations associated with the food industry.



of all donations come from individuals.



Corporate employee teams and individuals donate tens of thousands of hours each year.

## Volunteers make it work

The Idaho Foodbank provides hunger relief to thousands of Idahoans in need thanks to the support of dedicated volunteers. Every day, volunteers perform essential tasks from sorting and repackaging donated food in our warehouses to assisting with programs.



of all donations go to support our programs and services.

For more information about hunger in Idaho, to volunteer, or to donate to programs and services visit our website:

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