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# ANNUAL REPORT Fiscal Year 2015

## A FRESH APPROACH TO FEEDING IDAHO FAMILIES

Six years ago, The Idaho Foodbank made the decision to acquire and distribute more nutritious food. While the Foodbank would continue to accept a small percentage of snack foods and soft drinks, the emphasis going forward would be on nutrient-dense foods including more fresh fruits and vegetables. It was a healthy change.

In this last fiscal year, 83% of all the food distributed by The Idaho Foodbank was categorized as “nutritious” meaning that it contained vitamins and minerals essential for maintaining good health. We could not have accomplished this feat without the generous support of our donors including corporations, growers, and processors. Of course, dedicated volunteers working in 189 community pantries, soup kitchens, and senior centers were responsible for making certain that the nutritious food reached those in need.

More fresh fruits and vegetables means healthier adults, children and seniors. Healthy residents make for healthier communities. And that promises a healthier future for all Idahoans.





# COMMUNITY

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY

The Episcopal Church of the Nativity in Lewiston started their pantry program two years ago. Shortly thereafter, they became a member of the Foodbank's partner network. Today, volunteers are distributing food to more than 700 people, on average, each month.



"Part of our ministry is literally to feed people. Aside from that, as a member of this community we have a responsibility to help those who are struggling."  
— Rev. Gretchen Rehberg, Pantry and Feeding Site Coordinator

### NORTH CENTRAL IDAHO

**Food Distributed: 1,507,526 lbs. Community Partners: 31**



**189**  
community partners  
statewide



## LEADORE, IDAHO

Leadore, population 105, is located at the intersection of highway 28 and 29 about 50 miles from Salmon, Idaho. The small community operates a food pantry out of its library that also serves as the community center. A Foodbank partner since its inception five years ago, pantry volunteers distribute food to 18-20 families a month; most are seniors.

"Local residents, especially seniors, have no alternative when it comes to emergency food assistance. Few can afford the 100-mile roundtrip to Salmon for help."



Lujean Morelli, Pantry Coordinator

### EASTERN IDAHO

**Food Distributed: 4,384,863 lbs. Community Partners: 44**

*Dear Friends,*

Our last fiscal year was very successful. In FY 2015, we set new records for food distribution and average number of people served each month. At the same time, we stayed true to our strategy of providing more nutritious, wholesome food. Our continued focus on efficiency resulted in 94 percent of all donations going to programs and services that feed people who are hungry.

We distributed 16.1 million pounds of food through our programs and community network; enough food to provide 13.4 million meals. That was welcome relief to the 163,679 Idahoans, on average, we served each month.

While we take great pride in these numbers, the push has stretched our facilities to the limit. A state that makes the goal of our capital campaign to finance facility enhancements and increase freezer and refrigeration capacity all the more urgent.

Every day, we are reminded that our ability to provide for those in need is contingent on strong partnerships. The commitment of donors, volunteers, network partners, and business and civic leaders to work together, is the only way we can hope to realize our vision of a hunger free Idaho. Our promise is to continue to grow these relationships, and build new ones that will enable us to better serve Idaho men, women, and children who are hungry.

To our supporters, thank you for all that you do. For the rest, please join us to solve hunger in Idaho.

*Karen Vauk*

Karen Vauk, President/CEO

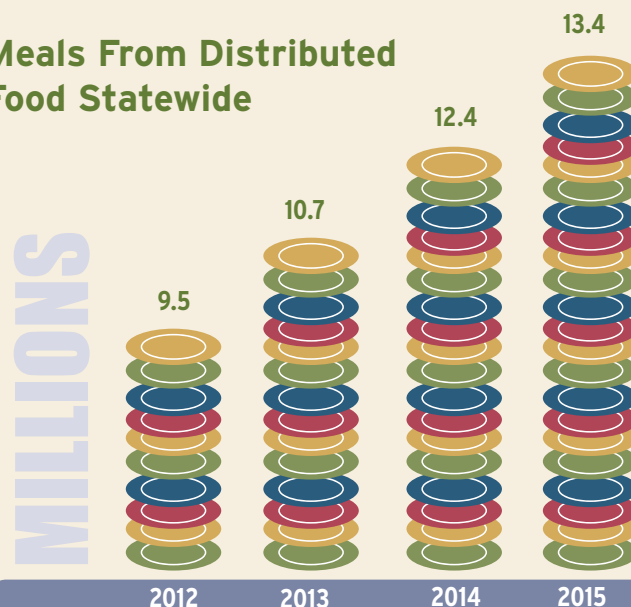
**83%**  
distributed food that  
is "nutritious"



### SOUTHWEST IDAHO

**Food Distributed: 10,249,069 lbs. Community Partners: 114**

## Meals From Distributed Food Statewide



One meal is equivalent to 1.2 pounds of food as determined by the U.S. Department of Agriculture based on total U.S. food consumption.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

<b>Revenue:</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>	<b>FY 2015</b>
Value of Donated Food	\$23,707,118	\$25,838,291
Donated Funds	\$5,344,749	\$7,098,148
In-Kind Donations	\$179,384	\$360,070
Program Services and Other	\$321,095	\$321,095
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$29,552,346</b>	<b>\$33,296,509</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>		
Program Expenses		
Purchased Food	\$944,495	\$1,111,934
Donated Food and Freight	\$23,974,882	\$25,906,231
Other	\$2,577,937	\$2,805,053
Total Program Expenses	\$27,497,314	\$29,823,218
Administrative and Fundraising	\$1,560,708	\$1,755,416
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$29,058,022</b>	<b>\$31,578,634</b>



**94%**

donations that go to programs and services



**89%**

distributed food that is donated



**163,679** people served monthly



**\$1=**



**20,388** volunteers



**61,379** volunteer hours



## FOOD



### MORE BENEATH THE SKIN

Giant Produce is a family-owned business that packages, stores, and markets onions and potatoes. A relatively new partner, last year the company donated more than 175,000 pounds of fresh produce. In addition, they made a generous donation of packaging material essential for our re-packing of bulk produce for distribution to families and individuals.



### GOOD FOR EVERYONE'S HEALTH

In December of 2013, Chobani opened a new state-of-the-art manufacturing facility in Twin Falls. But even before the doors had opened, the company approached the Foodbank about donations of its nutritious Greek-style yogurt. An important part of a balanced diet, quality dairy was a welcome addition to the food items already available for distribution. Last year, this valued partnership resulted in more than 900,000 pounds of food reaching people in need through mobile pantries and community partners statewide.





# PROGRAMS

## Backpack

a program of The Idaho Foodbank

Ensures that students who are chronically hungry have access to adequate food over the weekend by providing them with a backpack full of nutritious, kid-friendly food every Friday during the school year.

**1,804** children served each week

**63,791** backpacks distributed statewide



## School Pantry

a Program of The Idaho Foodbank



Provides families and school-age children with access to emergency food in an environment that is both familiar and supportive. Pantries stock food items that are popular and easy to prepare. Families receive enough nourishing food to prepare meals for three to five days.

**9,534** people served

**150,000** pounds of food distributed



## Picnic in the park



From June to August, five days a week, children in low-income neighborhoods enjoy a nourishing lunch and educational or physical activity at a convenient location such as a community park or their housing complex.

**1,250** children served

**48,451** meals provided



Share Our Strength's Cooking Matters is a free 6-week, hands-on, cooking-based program for all ages that teaches food preparation and food budgeting skills. Cooking Matters in the Store is a one-day program that teaches students how to identify healthy and less expensive options at their local grocery store.

**937** men, women, and children attended

**85** classes conducted statewide



## Commodity Supplemental Food Program

Administered by The Idaho Foodbank, the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) was created by the U.S. Department of Agriculture to improve the health of low-income individuals at least 60 years of age, by supplementing their diets with nutritious foods.

**2,000** seniors receive a box each month

**38** Idaho counties served



Enables the Foodbank to take large quantities of emergency food to hard-to-reach and underserved communities. Our trucks transport the food and then community volunteers help unload and distribute the food to those in need.

**10,381** individuals received food each month

**46** communities served



## Our Vision

A hunger-free Idaho.

## Our Mission

To help feed, educate and advocate for Idaho's hungry through collaborative partnerships to develop efficient solutions that strengthen individuals, families and communities.

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