The Idaho Foodbank

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Families and Individuals

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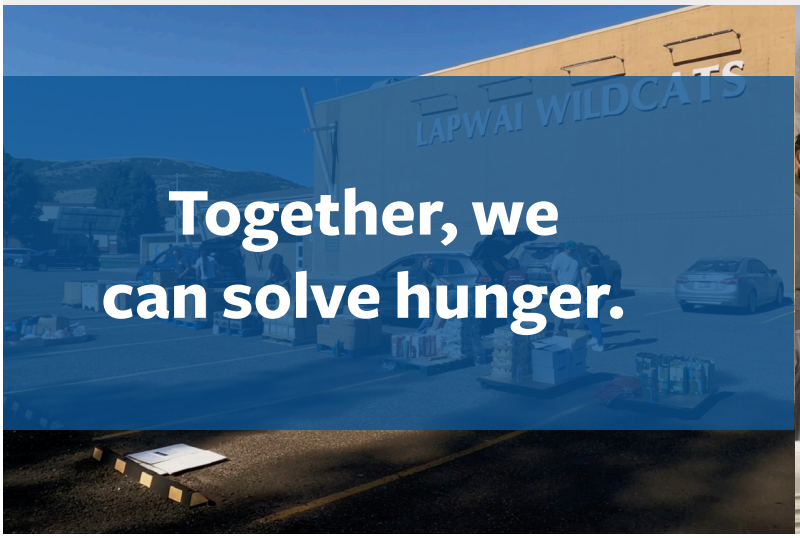






More than 14% of people in Idaho are facing food insecurity– the lack of access, at times, to enough food to support a healthy and active lifestyle (Feeding America's Map the Meal Gap report). This includes more than 84,700 kids.

When individuals are unable to access nutritious food, it can negatively affect their health and increase their risk of developing chronic diseases, including heart disease, high blood pressure, and diabetes. These health risks impact people and communities across the state. Nutrition at every age is critical for our health and well-being. We serve individuals and families in several ways, including school pantries, food boxes for seniors age 60 and older, and our Mobile Pantry Program.

Mobile Pantry Program

Solving Hunger in Idaho: FISCAL YEAR 2026

536	mobile distributions statewide
17,484	people served (monthly average)
33	counties served
4,087,957	pounds of food for 3,406,631 meals distributed statewide
19,658	volunteer hours

> This food bank has been a life saver. We are truly struggling right now. Our bills are paid but even though we both work full time, there is just nothing left over. If it wasn't for this food bank, I don't know how we would eat.
>
> – Mobile Pantry Client



Supporting Rural Communities

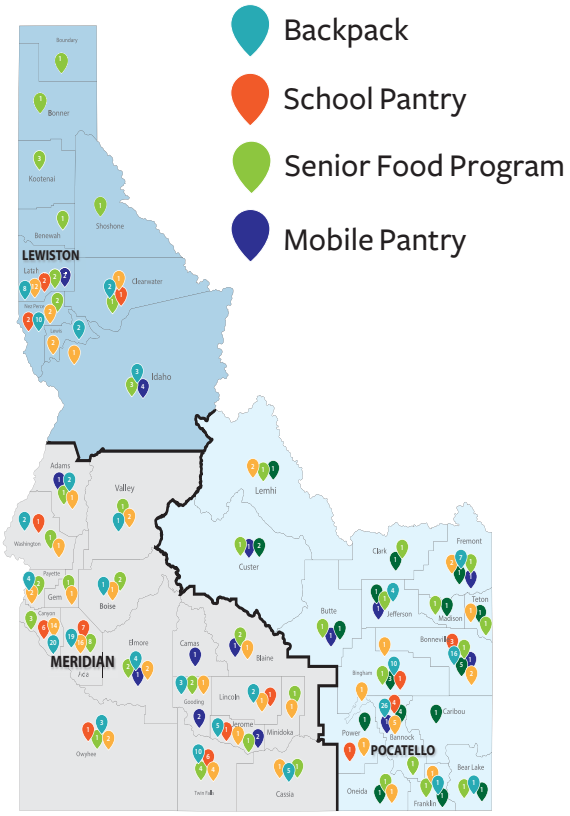
Across Idaho, many rural communities face persistent barriers to accessing nutritious food. Long distances to grocery stores, limited transportation, and higher food costs make it difficult for families to keep their pantries stocked. The Idaho Foodbank's Mobile Pantry Program helps bridge that gap by delivering fresh, nutritious food directly to areas where traditional access points are limited. These distributions rely on local volunteers, community partners, and a shared commitment to ensuring that no family goes without.

One particular pantry in Camas County—home to just over 1,300 people—exemplifies the importance of community support and adapting to evolving needs. Since 2013, the Camas Community Pantry in Fairfield has been a partner of The Foodbank. They serve 40–50 families each month. They also host quarterly mobile distributions that also reach 40-50 households. As demand increased, the Camas Community Pantry recognized that its small, aging space needed to evolve to keep pace with the community it serves.

They recently undertook a full renovation to better support families. Two new refrigeration units now allow the pantry to offer more fresh foods—an essential addition for a rural community with limited grocery options. Volunteers also ripped up old carpet, removed dated wallpaper, and repainted the interior to create a brighter, more welcoming environment. New flooring was installed, along with updated shelving to improve flow and storage.

The transformation reflects a simple truth: when communities invest in one another, access improves, dignity grows, and families feel supported. In Camas County, the Mobile Pantry Program and the local pantry work hand in hand to ensure that neighbors can rely on a consistent, compassionate source of nutritious food.

Providing food access across the entire state of Idaho is possible thanks to a strong network of Food Distribution Partners working to end hunger one community at a time. Through our network of over 400 Partner Agencies and direct service programs, The Idaho Foodbank provides food and resources into all of Idaho's 44 counties.



MOBILE PANTRY PROGRAM SUPPORTED BY:

- **Applied Materials Foundation**
- **Lewis-Clark Valley Healthcare Foundation**
- **Rocky Mountain Power Foundation**
- **St. Luke's Community Health Improvement Fund**
- **The Kroger Zero Hunger | Zero Waste Foundation**
- **Wellpoint**

About The Idaho Foodbank

The Idaho Foodbank is an independent, donor-supported, nonprofit organization. It is a statewide and community-anchored organization that is the largest distributor of free food assistance in Idaho. The Idaho Foodbank's mission to nourish, educate, and advocate to support thriving, food-secure communities across Idaho. It is uniquely situated as a statewide connector of people, partners, and solutions.

The Idaho Foodbank was established in 1984 and has distributed millions of pounds of nutritious food through its facilities in Lewiston, Meridian, and Pocatello. In the last fiscal year, The Foodbank provided food for more than 22 million meals to Idahoans living with food insecurity. The Foodbank distributes food through a network of more than 400 partners including schools, food pantries, senior centers, shelters, mobile pantries, and churches. Visit idahofoodbank.org for more information.

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