



GOLDEN  HARVEST
FOOD BANK

feeding lives together



ANNUAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR 2015

FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

Firstly, I want to thank you for being part of our Golden Harvest Food Bank Family. We really are like family here at the food bank; we work together, feed together, pray together, and play together. And I want you to know what a crucial and inspiring part of our family you are.

These pages are a testament to the change your donations made in our community during the past fiscal year. Every story, every program, every meal celebrated here happened because of you. Without your passion and support, our Food Bank family simply would not be complete!

One of the key elements that supports our work to feed the hungry is trust. The 300+ local food pantries that partner with Golden Harvest trust us to provide them with high-quality food. Our food donors and corporate partners trust us to steward their donations. And you trust us with your financial support, volunteer efforts, and your belief in our mission to feed the hungry.

We are honored by the trust you place in us to carry out your desire to transform our community through the gift of food. Your gifts worked wonders this year. You made all the difference in the lives of the single mother, the hungry child, and the disabled senior who did not know where their next meal would come from.

Thank you so much from all of us in your Golden Harvest family for 'Feeding Lives Together' with us. Together, we are ending hunger!

Travis W. McNeal
Executive Director

CLIENT SPOTLIGHT

JULISSA SAYS "THANK YOU!"

Meet Julissa, a single mother working her way through nursing school. She began visiting The Master's Table Soup Kitchen to help make ends meet. But as she experienced the



community and caring of the Soup Kitchen, Julissa wanted to give something back. Now, she works as a Soup Kitchen volunteer helping to prepare hot meals for others in urgent need of food. Your support helped her through a challenging time in her life, enabling her

to stay in school. "I thank God for the donors who make this place happen," she says; "I can't thank you enough for helping me!"

FINANCE REPORT

REVENUE

Value of Donated Food
Donated Funds
Agency Services & Fundraising
Investment Income & Other

Total Revenue

EXPENSES

Program Expenses
Purchased Food
Donated Food & Freight
Other

Total Program Expenses

Administrative and Fundraising

Total Expenses

OUR VOLUNTEERS

ON THE FRONT LINES

Balancing a large box of food donations and beaming, Melissa Williams shares what volunteering means to her; "From the people working with me to the people I serve, it's so uplifting! Helping others colors my whole day."

Volunteers like Melissa gave over 49,000 hours of their time to feeding lives last year. Their service accounted for one third (32%) of the total hours it took to operate the Food Bank. "Our volunteers, their dedication and passion, are the heart and soul of our work to feed the hungry," says Ann Ancog, Volunteer Coordinator. "I am constantly inspired by their stories, their generosity, and their willingness to serve." Golden Harvest proudly serves the hungry with the help of 2,600 registered volunteers.

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2014

\$26,305,903
\$4,122,920
\$1,540,302
\$734,214

\$32,703,339

\$1,495,747
\$27,251,915
\$2,637,409
\$31,385,071

\$1,997,810

\$33,382,881

2015

\$25,824,237
\$3,832,541
\$1,374,142
\$649,042

\$31,679,962

\$1,783,360
\$26,597,232
\$2,696,739
\$31,077,331

\$1,996,131

\$33,073,462

BY THE NUMBERS

17,261,603

**POUNDS OF FOOD
DISTRIBUTED IN 2015**

14,384,669

**MEALS DISTRIBUTED
IN 2015**

431,891

**FAMILIES FED
IN 2015**

49,444

**VOLUNTEER HOURS
SERVED IN 2015**



OUR PROGRAMS

FOOD PANTRY DISTRIBUTION

Because of you, Golden Harvest provided 17.2 million pounds of food to the hungry through our network of 300+ partner food pantries and programs. Providing food to local food pantries and soup kitchens ensures that our neighbors in need have access to emergency food right in their own communities.

BACKPACK PROGRAM

All too often, children living in poverty who rely on free school meals for nourishment face hunger on the weekend. Last year, your support provided 4,814 hungry children with a package containing enough wholesome food for 4 meals to take home every Friday, right at their own schools!

SENIOR FOOD BOX

Thanks to you, 1,405 seniors in need received a monthly box of food last year. Seniors on a small fixed income often can't afford enough to eat after paying for rent, utilities and medical care each month. Instead of facing an empty cupboard at the end of the month, hundreds of seniors received food through your support.

MASTER'S TABLE

Run primarily through volunteer support, The Master's Table Soup Kitchen provides a lunchtime meal 365 days a year to those in urgent need of food. With your help, The Master's Table served 102,735 hot meals in FY 2015.

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

Your support filled our Mobile Food Pantry with over 1 million meals for rural families last year. In rural communities known as "food deserts," food costs are high and there are few local food pantries to provide help. Your support provided these families with truckloads of fresh produce and shelf-stable food.

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