

## YOUR IMPACT IN 2024



**14 million meals**  
provided to families,  
seniors, and children



**557,765**  
**families**  
received nutritious food



**3.7 million**  
**pounds**  
of fresh produce  
delivered



**350+**  
**partners**  
providing hunger  
relief services



**16,350 hours**  
donated by faithful  
volunteers



**24 counties**  
across Georgia &  
South Carolina

**“We are committed to the  
people we serve, to recovery,  
and to building a stronger,  
more resilient community.”**



As I look back on this past year, your unwavering support of Golden Harvest Food Bank continues to inspire me. Thanks to your generosity, parents have been able to feed their children, seniors no longer have to choose between food and medication, and students are attending school nourished and ready to learn—all because of you.

As we look to the future, we are aware of the challenges that still lie ahead. In the closing days of our fiscal year, Hurricane Helene struck, and its impact was a stark reminder of how vulnerable so many families are to sudden crises. This year, more than ever, we will need the strength of our community to rise and meet these ongoing needs. Your support is the key to ensuring that families not only recover from the aftermath of the storm but also have the resources they need for the future.

Thank you for being the heart of our mission. Together, we will continue to provide hope and nourishment, one meal at a time. Golden Harvest Food Bank can't do it without you.

Grace and peace,

*Amy C. Brechtmann*

President and CEO,  
Golden Harvest Food Bank



## AFTER THE STORM

In the wake of Hurricane Helene, our community has faced unprecedented challenges. Homes were damaged, power outages disrupted daily life, and many families found themselves without access to basic necessities. But thanks to the collective efforts of Golden Harvest Food Bank, our partners, and the dedication of countless volunteers, we were able to swiftly mobilize and provide essential relief.

Before Hurricane Helene, food insecurity in our region had reached its highest level in 15 years, with 1 in 7 people and 1 in 4 children struggling to access enough food. In some of our hardest-hit counties, like Hancock, as many as 1 in 2 children are food insecure. The storm only intensified this need, further straining communities already facing significant challenges.

In response, Golden Harvest distributed over 2.4 million meals during the month of October alone to individuals and families impacted by the hurricane. These efforts have been critical in ensuring that no one goes without food or clean water during this difficult time. From large-scale emergency food distributions to direct deliveries in hard-hit areas, we've worked tirelessly to reach those most in need.

Our response was made possible through the generosity of our community and the incredible resilience of our partners. Whether it was organizations providing supplies, volunteers packing meals, or partner agencies helping to deliver essentials, the support we've received has been truly inspiring.

The road to recovery is still long, but with your continued support, Golden Harvest will remain at the forefront of efforts to ensure our neighbors have access to the food and resources they need. Together, we're stronger than the storm, and together, we'll keep working to make sure no one goes hungry.

