



About us

www.foodbankwma.org

Our mission is to reduce hunger and increase food security in the four counties of Western Massachusetts.

The Food Bank serves more than 112,000 food insecure neighbors across Berkshire, Franklin, Hampden & Hampshire Counties.

Our food comes from

- Food Industry
- Government
- Food Bank Farm
- The Public

The Food Bank

In 2010, we distributed more than 7.6 million pounds of food to 350 front-line food providers and people in need across the region.

Did you know
Every \$1 donated to The Food Bank provides \$13 worth of food.

FOOD BANK PROGRAMS & SERVICES:

- Agency Relations
- Development & Training Institute
- Brown Bag: Food for Elders
- Door to Door Delivery
- Network Capacity Building
- Nutrition
- SNAP Outreach & Enrollment
- The Food Bank Farm

Through the regional emergency food network, **The Food Bank of Western Massachusetts** provides food to **15,000 people every week**. More than 35% of those served are children, and more than 8% are senior citizens. 31% of households needing emergency food have **at least one working adult**, but do not earn enough to make ends meet. Nearly half must **make tough choices** between paying for food and paying for utilities, heating fuel, rent, mortgage or medical care, because they don't have enough money to meet all these basic needs.

For more information, or to find out how to donate or get involved, please visit our website at www.foodbankwma.org.

Since 1982, The Food Bank has been working to prevent hunger in Berkshire, Franklin, Hampden and Hampshire Counties. The Food Bank was founded by a group of representatives from local human service agencies, faith institutions, farmers, and concerned residents. We now include a Brown Bag: Food for Elders program, food distribution to hundreds of independent feeding agencies, and community-based initiatives that support access to affordable and nutritious foods for all residents.