

THE FOOD BANK @ ST. MARY'S



Supporting our Community with Hospitality, Respect, and Nutritious Food
Impact Report FY 2024-25



DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT

During the 2024-25 year, The Food Bank @ St. Mary's continued to provide hunger relief services to thousands of people in the Central District of Seattle. The food bank now operates as a part of the newly created relationship with St. Therese and St. Joseph. We are excited to be growing with our new *family* and to be a part of the critical work and ministry of the Archdiocese of Seattle.

This past year brought hardship to many of those who rely on the food bank for their weekly needs. We are on the front lines daily and witness the pain of those seeking hunger relief. Food insecurity continues to rise in our state annually; however, the resilience we've seen this past year from our clients and our volunteers is remarkable. There are so many helpful hands and hearts committed to ending hunger and the food bank is fortunate to be a conduit for that dedication and love.

We strive to provide individuals and families with food and access to community resources and assist them to achieve self-sufficiency. We believe in a world where hunger doesn't exist and focus our efforts toward that end.

We really couldn't accomplish this work without our amazing staff, caring board, generous supporters, and committed volunteers. Together, we are better positioned to achieve our mission: *Supporting our Community with Hospitality, Respect, and Nutritious Food.*

Thank you for your continued support,

Bruce Wood, Executive Director

24TH ANNUAL HARVEST DINNER

On October 5th donors, volunteers, and supporters from St. Mary's, St. Therese, and St. Joe's gathered around festive tables to celebrate our 24th Annual Harvest Dinner! Hosted at SODO Park, near downtown Seattle, guests were entertained by live music, a slideshow of photos, a plated dinner, and many auction items to bid on. The support and care from our community was incredible and the event raised over \$160,000! All funds raised allowed us to keep our vital programs available to our community free of charge.



A Huge Thank You To Our Event Sponsors!

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OUR PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Walk-In: This program operates every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 am - 1 pm. Clients can choose from selections of meat, seafood or vegetarian options, dairy, canned items, bread, fresh produce, frozen food, and dry goods. Hygiene products are also distributed as they become available.

No-Cook: This program provides about 100 homeless individuals each month with a bag of non-perishable, prepared food. Ready-to-eat foods such as sandwiches, salads, vegetables, and fruit are added to the bags as they are distributed to individuals. During winter, socks, hats, gloves and even sleeping bags are given when available. This program takes place during regular Walk-In dates and times.

Home Delivery: This program serves those who are low-income and home-bound whether due to age, chronic illness and/or disability. Volunteer drivers pick up and deliver groceries directly to clients residing in 20+ different apartment buildings, serving about 200 people each week. Dietary restrictions and special needs are considered when preparing the bags.

Food for Schools: This program partners with the Seattle School District at three local sites – Washington Middle School, Franklin High School, and Seattle World School. It ensures that children from homeless and low-income families go home with “kid-friendly,” easy to open, nutritious food during the week, and provide meals for the entire family over the weekend and over holiday breaks.

Baby Corner: This program distributes bags which include formula, baby food, baby wipes, diapers and household items needed by young families. We provide distributions the first full week of the month.

Mobile Food Bank: In this program, the food is brought to the Filipino Community Center and the Compass Center. The Mobile Food Bank distributes food to more than 2,200 people each month - all who mostly live in South, Central and SE Seattle.



2024-25 Numbers

104,865
Households
served

2,125,315
Pounds of food
distributed

11,672
Home
deliveries

7,000
Bags of
groceries
for schools

200
Days open
for service

~ 20
Food donation
partners

VOLUNTEERS

We are so grateful for our ~100 volunteers that served with us this year! They donated **23,650 hours** of their time throughout the year! That is equivalent to 11 full-time employees. They volunteered in many different capacities, including: distributing and sorting food, delivering food to homebound clients, checking people in, picking up food from donors, administrative tasks, and so much more.



“My favorite part is the smiles I see on all the staff, clients, and volunteers greeting me in the morning. There is one client, an older man with an incredibly positive attitude. He sometimes needs a bit of help identifying what items are. It could be vision issues, but I think it is also because **he loves to connect with us**. He has learned many of the volunteers names, and greets us personally as he comes through, giving fist bumps along the way. He is giving as much as he is receiving! I would say that anyone with no experience or lots of experience would be welcome to volunteer. It is often hard work, but very satisfying, especially when you see young children coming through with their parents, and realize what this means for them. I also deeply appreciate the incredible lunch that Abeba and her team cook up each week!”

Ann, Walk-In Volunteer

“I started volunteering here 5 years ago. I used to be a home delivery driver but this year I transitioned and now I help Nancy (Volunteer Lead) sort through items that are brought in each morning for our clients. It is hard work to sort through this much food, but I have fun with my team, and I think I'm getting pretty good at it. I **love working with Nancy and the staff and I love helping our clients!** My son comes in to help sometimes, he loves working in his community and sorting food that will be used in children's lunches who do not have access to food - **it is impactful for him to see what the Food Bank does**. The Feeding Hungry Children's program is special, and I'm glad I get to be a part of it.”

Fatima, Sorting Volunteer



FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

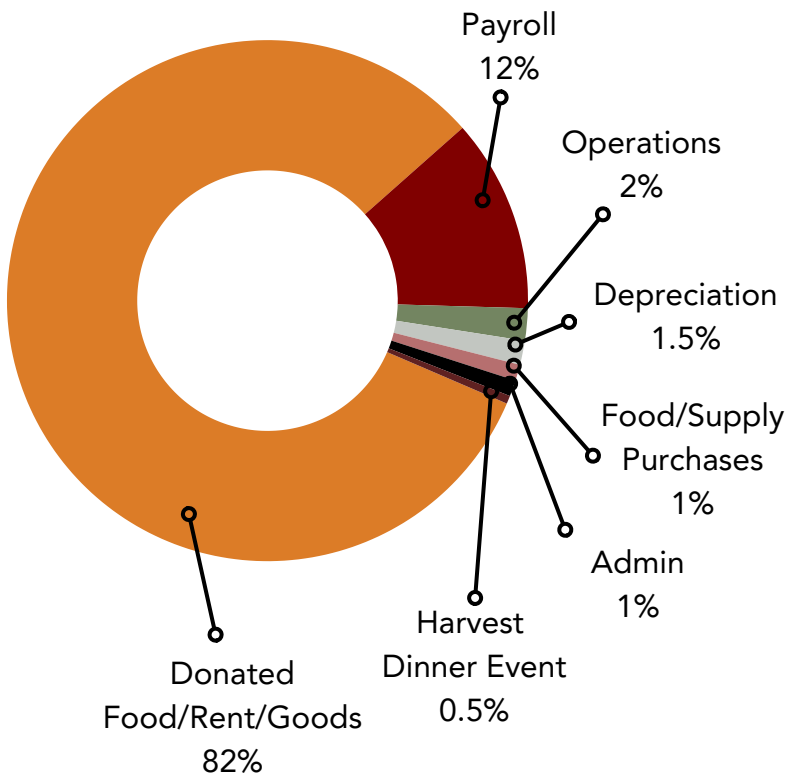
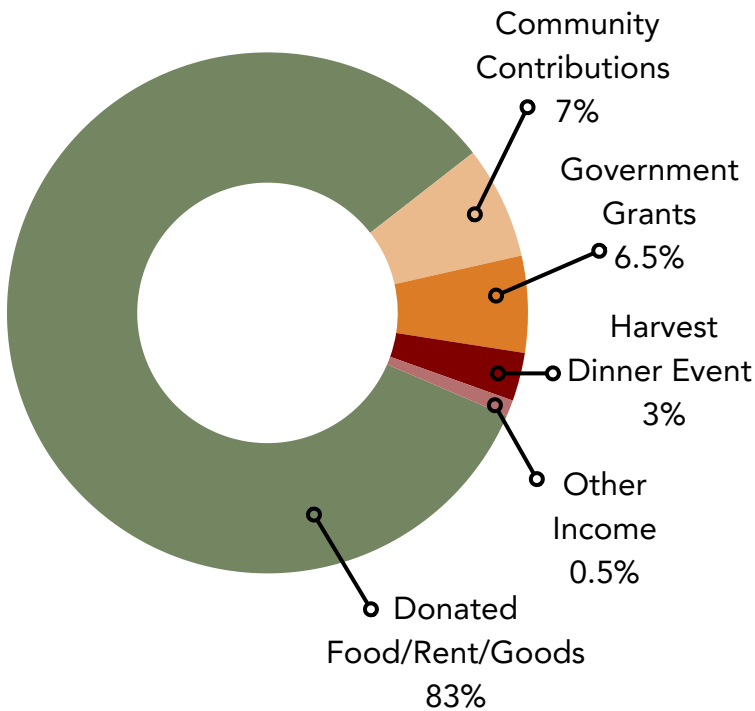
OPERATING STATEMENT

For the year ended June 30, 2025 - Audited

Support and Revenue

Donated Food	4,490,953
Community Contributions	386,121
Government Grants	362,964
Harvest Dinner Event	161,810
Donated Rent & Goods	113,363
Other income	24,299

Total Support and Revenue **5,539,510**



Expenses

Donated Food	4,589,868
Payroll	680,742
Donated Rent & Goods	113,363
Operations	100,518
Depreciation	86,920
Food/Supply Purchases	68,393
Administrative	59,870
Harvest Dinner Event	42,303

Total Expenses **5,741,977**

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

THANK YOU to our amazing volunteers! Your drive and passion to help others is unmatched! We couldn't do this without you.

THANK YOU to our generous donors! From individuals to organizations to corporations and churches, your support ensures that the people in our community do not go without food.

THANK YOU to all of people who supported us through food drives and donations! We are so grateful for the schools, hospitals, and individuals for organizing and donating food to the community.

THANK YOU to our dedicated board members! Your time, talent, and leadership is much needed for us to run smoothly.

THANK YOU to our hard-working staff! Your dedication through these past hard few years has kept us from closing our doors.

2024-25 Staff



Todd

Warehouse Assistant



Abeba

Warehouse Assistant



Roque

Warehouse Assistant



Kidane

Warehouse Assistant



Saidou

Warehouse Lead



Deep

Operations Manager



Marlowe

Accounting & Admin Manager



Lexie

Development Manager



Bruce

Executive Director

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