



YEARS OF  
**Sharing Food  
Bringing Hope**

# **2021 ACCOMPLISHMENTS REPORT**

# A note from Lindsay

In 2021, The Food Bank for Central & Northeast Missouri celebrated 40 years of sharing food and bringing hope to our 32-county service area. We've certainly grown in size and scope, moving from an initial annual distribution of 68,000 pounds to 29.8 million pounds last year. It's inspiring to think we've increased our distribution more than 400 times over since 1981, and that today we're sharing the equivalent of more than 23 million meals with our neighbors each year. We couldn't have done this necessary work without the help of our incredible community of donors, volunteers, partners, collaborators and neighbors.

In many ways, 2021 saw our operations return as close to normal as they've been in recent years. An outpouring of support from our community paired with one-time state and federal COVID response funding helped us sustain operations in a time of crisis, but there's still the storm of economic recovery to weather. In addition to supply chain issues, in 2021, The Food Bank sometimes experienced food and freight costs **three times what they were pre-pandemic**. We continue to see our food acquisition and distribution costs increase dramatically, and it's hard to know what additional challenges the future will bring. That's why I am grateful for our team's ongoing resolve - and your dedication, too.

Thank you for being a part of our mission. Our effort to end hunger is a huge undertaking, but together we can continue to meet the immediate needs of our neighbors and make progress toward our vision.

Gratefully,



Lindsay Young Lopez  
President and CEO



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## NUMBERS TO KNOW

### Sharing food with kids: Buddy Packs

# 197

The number of partner schools that brought Buddy Packs and school pantries to more than **7,000 students** each week of the academic year.

### Sharing food with seniors: Senior Boxes

# 60

The age neighbors first become eligible for Senior Boxes, which provided additional nutrition to **2,880 seniors** each month.

### Sharing food with veterans: VIP Packs

# 13

The number of counties in our service area that distribute VIP Veteran Packs, which provided **500 veterans** with food/supplies each month.



# SERVING MISSOURI

through more than  
**1 MILLION** assists.

Assists include events or opportunities where neighbors can receive help, including accessing food at a pantry or mobile pantry visits, receiving a hot meal, accessing Buddy Packs, getting one-on-one help with a SNAP application and more.



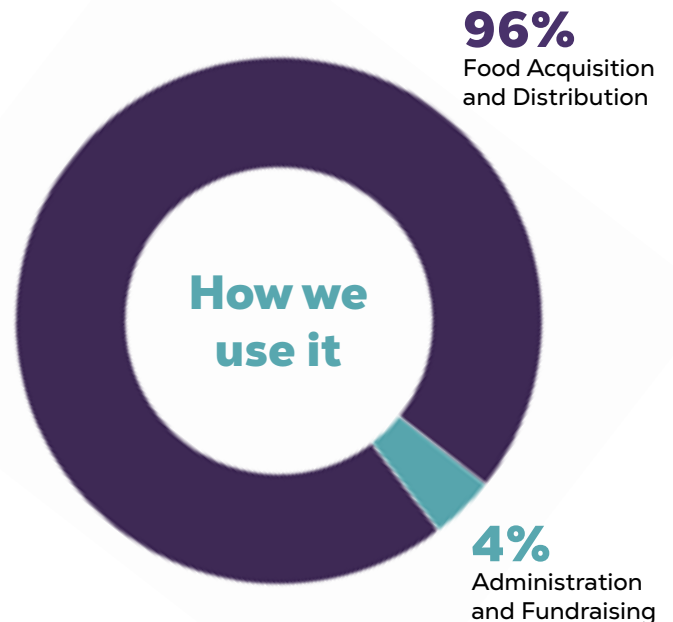
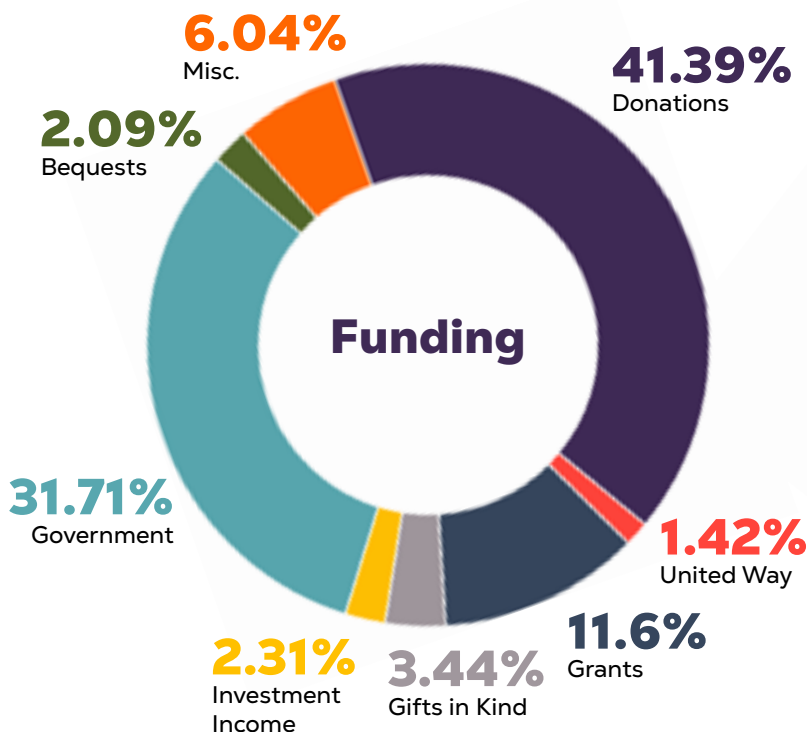
**7,137 volunteers**  
contributed 60,536 hours worth  
more than \$1.5 million



**29,797,597 pounds**  
of food distributed, worth  
more than \$53 million



**23 million+ meals**  
served through programs and  
partner agencies



# FOOD FOR HEALTH AND HOPE



## Foods to Encourage

which include fruits, vegetables, meat, dairy and whole grains, made up **16.7 million pounds** or **64%** of our total distribution.



## Mixed Produce Boxes

helped us share **876,161 pounds** of diverse and nutritious foods with our neighbors at mobile pantries and beyond.



## Retail Rescue

provided partner agencies with **3.3 million pounds** of product that would have otherwise gone to the landfill.

## The weight of our work by county

### ADAIR.....891,723 lbs.

Christian Community Food Depot – 26,872 lbs.  
Kirksville Housing Authority & NEMO Senior Center – 13,409 lbs.  
Pantry for Adair County – 495,104 lbs.  
Salvation Army – Kirksville – 200,458 lbs.  
The Community Mission – 860 lbs.

#### Buddy Pack Schools.....17,392 lbs.

Adair County R-II Elementary, Kirksville Primary, Novinger Elementary, Ray Miller Elementary

#### School Pantries .....1,964 lbs.

Kirksville Tech Center

#### Mobile Pantries .....135,664 lbs.

Hamilton St. Baptist Church

### AUDRAIN .....1,957,485 lbs.

Mexico Senior Center, Inc. – 2,014 lbs.  
Saint John's Catholic Church Pantry – 104,852 lbs.  
The Help Center – 1,794,802 lbs.

#### Buddy Pack Schools.....54,130 lbs.

Community R-VI Elementary, Eugene Field Elementary, Hawthorne Elementary, McMillan Elementary, Van-Far Elementary, Williams Family Support Center Head Start

#### School Pantries .....1,687 lbs.

Mexico High, Van-Far High

### BENTON .....738,714 lbs.

Benton County Food Pantry – 571,399 lbs.  
Cole Camp Senior Center – 3,307 lbs.  
Warsaw Senior Center – 14,365 lbs.

#### Buddy Pack Schools.....15,375 lbs.

Cole Camp Elementary, Lincoln Elementary, Warsaw North Elementary, Warsaw South Elementary

#### School Pantries .....3,931 lbs.

John Boise Middle, Warsaw High

#### Mobile Pantries .....130,337 lbs.

Katy Trail Community Health

### BOONE .....5,286,862 lbs.

Aging Best – Columbia – 16,725 lbs.  
Armory Community Center – 1,420 lbs.  
Central Pantry – 3,731,742 lbs.  
Columbia Housing Authority Pantry – 126,504 lbs.  
Destiny Worship Center Food Pantry – 2,241 lbs.  
First Chance for Children – 150 lbs.  
Great Circle – Columbia – 27,213 lbs.  
Hallsville Food Pantry – 71,781 lbs.  
Hogan House – 97,211 lbs.

In2Action – 16,123 lbs.  
Job Point – 10,529 lbs.  
Mary Lee Johnston Community Learning Center – 296 lbs.  
Medzou – 922 lbs.  
Phoenix Programs, Inc. – 68,493 lbs.  
Powerhouse Community Development Center – 120,496 lbs.  
Progressive Missionary Food Pantry – 42,775 lbs.  
Rainbow House Shelter – 4,100 lbs.  
Reality House Programs, Inc. – 5,206 lbs.  
Russell Chapel Food Pantry – 63,645 lbs.  
Salvation Army – Columbia – 6,323 lbs.  
Salvation Army – Harbor House – 21,789 lbs.  
Seventh Day Adventist Food Pantry – 100,415 lbs.  
South Providence Medical Park - Share Boxes – 720 lbs.  
Sturgeon Area Ministerial Alliance Pantry – 122,086 lbs.  
Tiger Pantry – 11,454 lbs.  
True North of Columbia – 5,048 lbs.  
Turning Point Day Center – 4,277 lbs.  
University Hospital - Share Boxes – 600 lbs.  
Voluntary Action Center – 10,177 lbs.  
Welcome Home, Inc. – 9,882 lbs.

#### Buddy Pack Schools .....181,526 lbs.

Alpha Hart Lewis Elementary, Bear Creek Head Start, Benton STEM Elementary, Beulah Ralph Elementary, Blue Ridge Elementary, Cedar Ridge Elementary, Center for Early Learning – North, Center of Responsive Education (CORE), Centralia Head Start, Centralia Intermediate, Chance Elementary, Derby Ridge Elementary, Early Childhood Special Education, Early Eagles Learning Center Preschool, Eliot Battle Elementary, Fairview Elementary, Gentry Middle, Grant Elementary, Hallsville R-IV Intermediate, Hallsville R-IV Primary, Harrisburg Elementary, Hickman High Bus Route, Lange Middle Bus Route, Locust Street Elementary, Mary Lee Johnston Community Learning Center, Mary Paxton Keeley Elementary, Midway Heights Elementary, Mill Creek Elementary, New Haven Elementary, Park Avenue Preschool, Parkade Elementary, Ridgeway Elementary, Rock Bridge Elementary, Roseta Learning Center, Russell Boulevard Elementary, Shepard Boulevard Elementary, Smithton Middle Bus Route, Southern Boone Elementary, Southern Boone Primary, Sturgeon Middle, Sturgeon R-V Elementary, Title 1 Preschools – Hickman and Douglass, Two Mile Prairie Elementary, Werner Middle Bus Route, West Boulevard Elementary

#### School Pantries.....19,731 lbs.

Battle High, Center of Responsive Education (CORE), Chester Boren Middle, Douglass High, Gentry Middle, Hallsville Middle/High, Hickman High, Jefferson Middle, John Warner Middle, Lange Middle, Oakland Middle, Rock Bridge High, Smithton Middle, West Middle

#### Mobile Pantries.....385,265 lbs.



## Messages from kids: *Buddy Packs*

✂ "I like the food because it makes me feel special."

✂ "It gets me through the day when I am hungry."

✂ "It helps me sleep better."

Ashland Baptist Church, Boone County Health Department, New Horizons UMC, Oak Towers, Paquin Towers, Emergency Response

### **CALLAWAY ..... 1,103,000 lbs.**

Callaway Senior Center – 14,155 lbs.  
Food Pantry at Court Street – 46,966 lbs.  
Fulton Soup Kitchen – 1,185 lbs.  
Holts Summit Food Pantry – 176,752 lbs.  
Holts Summit Soup Kitchen – 32,044 lbs.  
Missouri Girls Town Foundation, Inc. – 8,382 lbs.  
Oak Chapel Food Pantry – 190,608 lbs.  
Serve, Inc. – 596,642 lbs.

#### **Buddy Pack Schools .....34,926 lbs.**

Bartley Elementary, Bush Elementary, Fulton Early Childhood Center, Hatton McCredie Elementary, McIntire Elementary, New Bloomfield Elementary, South Callaway R-II Elementary, Williamsburg Elementary

#### **School Pantries..... 1,340 lbs.**

North Callaway High, North Callaway Middle

### **CAMDEN .....1,284,090 lbs.**

Camden County Senior Citizens – 33,913 lbs.  
Citizens Against Domestic Violence, Inc. – 1,835 lbs.  
Good Samaritan Outreach Center – 4,738 lbs.  
Lamb House – 280,034 lbs.  
Lighthouse Mission – 58,603 lbs.  
Osage Beach Senior Center, Inc. – 4,269 lbs.  
Share the Harvest Food Pantry – 646,053 lbs.

#### **Buddy Pack Schools ..... 49,586 lbs.**

Climax Springs Elementary, Dogwood Elementary, Hawthorn Elementary, Hurricane Deck Elementary, Macks Creek Elementary, Oak Ridge Intermediate, Osage Beach Elementary

#### **School Pantries.....5,296 lbs.**

Camdenton High, Horizons Laker Educational Center

#### **Mobile Pantry ..... 199,764 lbs.**

Church of Osage Hills

### **CHARITON .....324,094 lbs.**

Chariton County Cupboard – 151,071 lbs.  
Salisbury Food Pantry – 164,880 lbs.

#### **Buddy Pack Schools ..... 8,142 lbs.**

Keytesville R-III Elementary, Northwestern Elementary, Salisbury Elementary

### **CLARK .....250,275 lbs.**

Clark County Senior Center – 3,711 lbs.  
Helping Hands Food Distributions – Clark – 230,407 lbs.  
Shiloh Christian Children's Ranch – Kahoka – 4,967 lbs.

### **Buddy Pack Schools ..... 11,190 lbs.**

Blackhawk Elementary, Running Fox Elementary

### **COLE ..... 1,559,837 lbs.**

Building Community Bridges – 116,669 lbs.  
Catholic Charities of Central and Northern Missouri – 40,267 lbs.  
Clarke Senior Center – 8,208 lbs.  
Community Health Center of Central MO - Share Boxes – 750 lbs.  
First Christian Church Food Pantry – 124,768 lbs.  
HALO – 2,129 lbs.  
Healing House – 2,668 lbs.  
Little Explorers Discovery Center – 4,630 lbs.  
Rape & Abuse Crisis Service – 5,230 lbs.  
Salvation Army – Center of Hope – 11,941 lbs.  
Salvation Army – Jefferson City – 96,222 lbs.  
Samaritan Center – 306,184 lbs.

#### **Buddy Pack Schools .....115,346 lbs.**

Belair Elementary, Callaway Hills Elementary, Cedar Hill Elementary, Clarence Lawson Elementary, East Elementary, Eugene Elementary, Kirchner State School, Moreau Heights Elementary, North Elementary, Pioneer Trail Elementary, Russellville Elementary, Russellville Middle, South Elementary, Southwest Early Childhood Center, Special Learning Center, Thorpe Gordon Elementary, West Elementary

#### **School Pantries..... 18,654 lbs.**

Cole Co R-V High, Jefferson City Academic Center, Lewis & Clark Middle, Thomas Jefferson Middle

#### **Mobile Pantries.....706,171 lbs.**

Boys and Girls Club, Capital West Christian Church, Knights of Columbus, Little Explorers Discovery Center, Trinity Lutheran Church, St. Martins, Emergency Response

### **COOPER ..... 420,676 lbs.**

Baskets of Blessings Food Pantry – 63,978 lbs.  
Boonslick Senior Center – 5,897 lbs.  
Neighbors Helping Neighbors – 305,677 lbs.  
The Mustard Seed Food Pantry – 20,024 lbs.

#### **Buddy Pack Schools .....24,048 lbs.**

Blackwater Elementary, Bunceton Elementary, David Barton Elementary, Hannah Cole Elementary, Otterville R-VI Elementary, Prairie Home R-V Elementary

#### **School Pantries..... 1,052 lbs.**

Hannah Cole Primary, Laura Speed Elliott Middle

### **HOWARD ..... 211,619 lbs.**

Catholic Charities of Central and Northern Missouri – 2,612 lbs.  
Coyote Hill Christian Children's Home – 14,994 lbs.  
Fayette Ministerial Alliance Pantry – 80,031 lbs.  
Fayette Senior Citizens Center – 5,224 lbs.

# Thoughts from partner agencies:

## *Kindness grows*

"A woman reached out for food for her family. She received canned goods, chicken, fresh vegetables and fruit. Now she volunteers to help unload our truck when we pick up from The Food Bank."



Glasgow Food Pantry – 37,547 lbs.  
New Franklin Cares – 67,419 lbs.

**Buddy Pack Schools** ..... 3,794 lbs.  
*New Franklin Elementary*

**KNOX** ..... 264,958 lbs.  
Knox County Food Cupboard – 264,958 lbs.

**LEWIS** ..... 367,058 lbs.  
Heartland Resources, Inc. – 11,826 lbs.  
Lewis County Food Pantry – 266,901 lbs.

**Mobile Pantry** ..... 88,331 lbs.  
*First Christian Church*

**LINN** ..... 637,261 lbs.  
Brookfield Senior Center – 31,521 lbs.  
Marceline Area Nutrition Center – 26,557 lbs.  
Ministries in Linn County Food Pantry – 559,067 lbs.

**Buddy Pack Schools** ..... 20,116 lbs.  
*Brookfield Elementary, Bucklin R-II Elementary, Linn County R-I Elementary*

**MACON** ..... 590,787 lbs.  
La Plata Christian Ministries – 252,753 lbs.  
Macon County Ministries Food Pantry – 332,822 lbs.

**Buddy Pack Schools** ..... 5,212 lbs.  
*Callao C-8 Elementary, Macon Elementary*

**MARIES** ..... 303,031 lbs.  
Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry – Vienna – 202,499 lbs.  
Vienna Senior Center – 2,674 lbs.

**Buddy Pack Schools** ..... 14,966 lbs.  
*Belle Elementary, Maries R-I Elementary*

**Mobile Pantry** ..... 82,892 lbs.  
*First Baptist Church – Belle*

**MARION** ..... 1,336,644 lbs.  
Douglass Community Services – 502,412 lbs.  
Harvest Outreach – 54,792 lbs.  
Loaves & Fishes – Hannibal – 1,335 lbs.  
New Life Food Pantry – 204,354 lbs.  
Palmyra Area Food Pantry – 539,909 lbs.  
Salvation Army – Hannibal – 33,842 lbs.

**MILLER** ..... 1,196,381 lbs.  
Eldon Community Food Pantry – 280,007 lbs.  
Eldon Senior Center – 1,715 lbs.  
Friendship Hall, Inc. – 3,944 lbs.  
Helping Hands of Central Missouri – 264,318 lbs.

Hope House – 311,069 lbs.  
Visions Unlimited Food Pantry – 306,376 lbs.

**Buddy Pack Schools** ..... 28,953 lbs.  
*Heritage Elementary, Iberia Elementary, Miller County R-3 Elementary, Osage Head Start, Osage Upper Elementary*

**MONITEAU** ..... 483,095 lbs.  
California Nutrition Center, Inc. – 17,565 lbs.  
Cargill Cares Food Pantry – 348,436 lbs.  
Moniteau County Nutrition Center – Tipton – 23,776 lbs.

**Buddy Pack Schools** ..... 20,059 lbs.  
*California Elementary, Clarksburg Elementary, High Point R-III Elementary, Latham Elementary, Tipton Elementary*

**School Pantries** ..... 2,180 lbs.  
*California Middle*

**Mobile Pantry** ..... 71,080 lbs.  
*Annunciation Catholic Church*

**MONROE** ..... 541,583 lbs.  
Faith Walk Ministry Food Pantry – 161,476 lbs.  
Monroe City Food Pantry – 358,813 lbs.  
Paris Senior Citizens Community Center – 9,083 lbs.

**Buddy Pack Schools** ..... 12,211 lbs.  
*Madison C-3 Elementary, Monroe City Elementary, Paris Elementary*

**MORGAN** ..... 884,425 lbs.  
Food for Morgan County, Inc. – 577,995 lbs.  
Ivy Bend Community Food Pantry – 282,228 lbs.  
Versailles Nutrition Site, Inc. – 2,206 lbs.  
Westside Seniors Association – 1,506 lbs.

**Buddy Pack Schools** ..... 20,491 lbs.  
*Morgan County R-I Elementary, Morgan County R-II Elementary*

**OSAGE** ..... 393,380 lbs.  
Good Shepherd Center – 380,712 lbs.

**Buddy Pack Schools** ..... 8,079 lbs.  
*Fatima Elementary, Linn Elementary, Osage County R-I Elementary*

**School Pantries** ..... 4,589 lbs.  
*Fatima High*

**PETTIS** ..... 1,501,130 lbs.  
Citizens Against Spousal Abuse – 3,856 lbs.  
La Monte Food Pantry – 17,184 lbs.  
Open Door Kitchen – 5,863 lbs.  
Open Door Service Center – 1,139,847 lbs.  
Salvation Army – Sedalia – 107,369 lbs.

# HELP WHERE IT'S NEEDED



## Share Box

availability was expanded from law enforcement officers to health care providers so they could offer **immediate nutrition assistance for patients in need.**



## SNAP Assistance

offered by staff and volunteers helped **1,069 neighbors** learn about and navigate the SNAP Program application process.



## Mobile Pantries

allowed The Food Bank to distribute to neighbors in areas of need and got food to **91,650 people** at **253 events.**

Sedalia Senior Center – 9,444 lbs.

**Buddy Pack Schools** .....**37,077 lbs.**

*Dresden Elementary, Green Ridge Elementary, Heber Hunt Elementary, Horace Mann Elementary, Loftus Early Childhood Center, Northwest Elementary, Parkview Elementary, Sedalia Middle, Skyline Elementary, Smithton Elementary, Washington Elementary*

**School Pantries**.....**2,767 lbs.**

*Sedalia Middle, Smithton R-VI Elementary, Smithton R-VI High*

**Mobile Pantries**.....**177,724 lbs.**

*La Monte Christian Church, Bethany Baptist Church*

**PHELPS** ..... **1,359,210 lbs.**

Choices for People – 3,589 lbs.

Great Circle – St. James – 74,831 lbs.

Newburg Food Pantry – 132,248 lbs.

Phelps County Faith Distribution, Inc. – 464,308 lbs.

Rolla Church of the Nazarene Soup Kitchen – 2,244 lbs.

Rolla Nutrition Site – 37,293 lbs.

Saint James Caring Center – 460,841 lbs.

Salvation Army – Rolla – 2,917 lbs.

The Mission – 2,504 lbs.

**Mobile Pantries**.....**178,434 lbs.**

*Phelps County Faith Distribution, Southern Cherokee*

**PUTNAM** .....**270,501 lbs.**

Putnam County Ministerial Alliance – 164,912 lbs.

Putnam County Senior Center – 19,165 lbs.

**Buddy Pack Schools** .....**3,828 lbs.**

*Putnam County R-I*

**Mobile Pantry** .....**82,595 lbs.**

*Lucerne Christian Church*

**RALLS**..... **157,165 lbs.**

Douglass Community Services – 6,876 lbs.

Center Community Food Pantry – 144,733 lbs.

**Buddy Pack Schools** .....**5,556 lbs.**

*Ralls County Elementary*

**RANDOLPH** .....**851,143 lbs.**

Christos Center – 294,287 lbs.

Community Kitchen – 12,802 lbs.

Family Life Fellowship Dream Center – 472,316 lbs.

Primrose Hill Adult and Teen Challenge – 22,018 lbs.

Safe Passage – 593 lbs.

**Buddy Pack Schools** ..... **38,899 lbs.**

*Early Childhood Learning Center, Gratz Brown Elementary, Higbee Elementary, North Park Elementary, Renick R-V, South Park Elementary, Westran R-I Elementary*

**School Pantries**.....**10,229 lbs.**

*Moberly High, Moberly Middle, North Central Regional School*

**SALINE** .....**853,754 lbs.**

Community Food Pantry – 540,648 lbs.

Great Circle – Tom Butterfield Campus – 13,999 lbs.

Powerhouse Community Development Center – 111,532 lbs.

Sweet Springs Food Pantry – 145,701 lbs.

**Buddy Pack Schools** .....**38,748 lbs.**

*Alexander Slater Elementary, Benton Elementary, Eastwood Elementary, Gilliam C-4 Elementary, Malta Bend Elementary, Miami Elementary, Southeast Elementary, Spainhower Primary, Sweet Springs R-7 Elementary*

**School Pantries**.....**3,126 lbs.**

*Great Circle - Tom Butterfield Campus*

**SCHUYLER**..... **312,585 lbs.**

Schuyler County Food Room – 305,455 lbs.

**Buddy Pack Schools** .....**7,129 lbs.**

*Schuyler R-I Elementary*

**SCOTLAND** ..... **294,589 lbs.**

Scotland County Food Pantry – 294,589 lbs.

**SHELBY** ..... **555,409 lbs.**

Bethel Food Pantry – 232,096 lbs.

Shelby County Food Pantry – 305,141 lbs.

Shiloh Christian Children's Ranch – Clarence – 12,481 lbs.

**Buddy Pack Schools** ..... **5,691 lbs.**

*South Shelby Elementary*

**SULLIVAN** .....**213,164 lbs.**

Milan Interfaith Food Pantry – 205,207 lbs.

**Buddy Pack Schools** .....**7,092 lbs.**

*Green City Elementary, Milan C-2 Elementary, Newtown-Harris R-III Elementary*

**School Pantries**.....**865 lbs.**

*Newtown-Harris High*

**FOOD BANK RESOURCE SHARING**..... **2,401,966 lbs.**

*Harvesters Community Food Network, Ozarks Food Harvest, Second Harvest Community Food Bank, St. Louis Area Food Bank, The Food Bank for Central & Northeast Missouri (facility essentials and miscellaneous supplies)*



**Notes from  
neighbors:**

*A helping hand*

"We have been able to allocate more funds to medical bills and basic necessity bills like rent."



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