

# STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year Ended May 31st, 2019

Every dollar you donated helped us provide the equivalent of **\$ six meals.**

# 97%

Thanks to the combined impact of donated food and funds, 97% of the Foodbank's expenses directly support programs that feed people.

### Revenues and Other Support

Program Service Fees	\$ 922,473
Grants & Contracts	\$ 728,542
Contributions	\$ 1,701,836
Contributed Food Received	\$ 12,095,938
Interest	\$ 12,600
Other	\$ 10,741

**Total Revenues and Other Support \$ 15,472,130**

### Expenses

Foodbank Operations	\$ 2,219,640
Contributed Food Distributed	\$ 12,063,832
Administrative & Fundraising	\$ 429,684
Depreciation	\$ 174,434

**Total Expenses \$ 14,887,590**

Change in Net Assets without Donor Restrictions	\$ 484,540
Change in Net Assets with Donor Restrictions	\$ 100,000

**Total Change in Net Assets \$ 584,540**

Net Assets at Beginning of Year \$ 6,545,068

**Net Assets at End of Year \$ 7,129,608**



# Growing Forward

Nourishing our neighbors

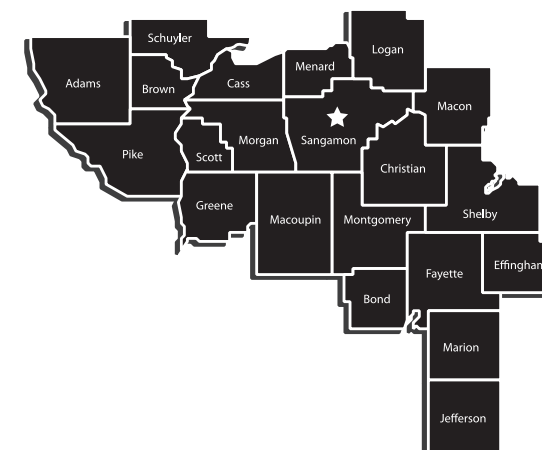
### Vision

Access to and Awareness of Healthy Food for All

### Mission

To provide food, and develop awareness of and creative solutions for food insecurity.

In our 21-county service area



**Nearly 100,000 people**

don't know where their next meal will come from.

**1 in 6 children**

faces hunger

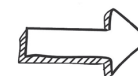
**1 in 8 people**

faces hunger

We distributed



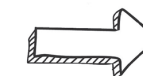
**9 million**  
lbs of food



including



**2.4 million**  
lbs of fresh produce



providing



**7.5 million**  
meals across 21 counties

Our community donated **11,000** volunteer hours which is equivalent to **5** full-time employees.



HARVEST CELEBRATION  
PG. 2

DONATIONS DELIVERED  
PG. 3

PRODUCE BY DESIGN  
PG. 4

## COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

The Foodbank recently received a grant from Horace Mann to pilot delivering fresh milk and eggs to children and their families at Harvard Park Elementary School in Springfield. This is in addition to the fresh produce that is already delivered weekly.



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Charity Navigator awarded Central Illinois Foodbank its 10th consecutive 4-star rating, the highest rating they bestow on the charities they monitor. Only 1% of the thousands of charities rated by Charity Navigator have earned this recognition. Charity Navigator is the largest charity evaluator in America and its website attracts more visitors than all other charity rating groups combined. The organization helps guide intelligent giving by evaluating the Financial Health and Accountability & Transparency of more than 8,000 charities. Charity Navigator accepts no advertising or donations from the organizations it evaluates, ensuring unbiased evaluations, nor does it charge the public for this trusted data.



### DIRECTOR'S DISH

The landscape of food sourcing is changing. With traditional sources of food donations declining, it's imperative that the Foodbank finds new sources of food to ensure consistent access to nutritious food for the people we serve.

**Pam Molitoris**  
Executive Director

One new initiative is our food rescue program – **Donations Delivered**. The Foodbank has been able to work with new partners like restaurants and bakeries to collect excess food and have volunteers deliver it to our partner agencies through the use of technology. This program initially launched in Springfield but expansion plans are underway for Christian County. Our hope is to make this program available for all of the 21 counties we serve.

As part of Feeding America's 2025 Goal, five main strategic pillars have been identified to make meaningful progress toward ending hunger – **FEED, NOURISH, EMPOWER, UNITE** and **CONNECT**. These pillars align with our mission to provide food and develop creative solutions to and awareness of food insecurity. This is our future as we continue **Growing Forward**.

*Pam Molitoris*

## 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Harvest Celebration



Central Illinois Foodbank Executive Director Pam Molitoris (left) and CIBF Board President Matt Sharpe (center) present Ed McDowall the 2019 Good Samaritan Award.

### COMMUNITY MACON CO.



Alfred and Stephanie Lynn recently visited a Healthy Foods Distribution in Decatur. Foodbank staff brought a refrigerated truck filled with more than 13,000 pounds of food to the community for distribution. Some items available that day included ground turkey, potatoes, watermelon, sweet corn, pears, cabbage, cucumbers, eggs and milk.

This distribution was sponsored by the Caterpillar Foundation. For more information on how to sponsor a Healthy Foods Distribution, please contact Virginia Ferguson at vferguson@centralilfoodbank.org or 217-522-4022 x 209.

## Donations Delivered



In July, the Foodbank received a \$51,500 grant from the Walmart Foundation to pilot a new food sourcing initiative. Feeding America developed MealConnect™ to bring donors, volunteers and agencies together through technology. This program encourages small-scale donations from places like restaurants and caterers that are transported by volunteers.

The Foodbank officially launched this program in Springfield in September with a kick-off event at Café Moxo. **Since its launch, this program has generated 110 donations**

**from 12 donors that have been delivered to 9 agencies by 14 volunteers.**

In October, the Foodbank received an additional \$25,000 marketing grant to promote and grow this program. The Foodbank will use the funds to increase marketing efforts in Springfield and to expand the program into Christian County.

"The Middle Mile program is an excellent opportunity for the Taylorville Food Pantry to partner with restaurants in our community and is a natural expansion of our partnership with Feeding America and Central Illinois Foodbank," said Amy Hagen, co-coordinator of Taylorville Food Pantry.

Part of the marketing efforts include giving the program a distinct identity. While the program functions through MealConnect™, the Foodbank's program will be known as **Donations Delivered**. Media advertisements will feature this new program name.

The program will officially launch in Christian County with a kick-off event held in Taylorville on February 11<sup>th</sup>. For more information on how to get involved, contact Bob Bartolazzi - 217.522.4022 x 224 or bbartolazzi@centralilfoodbank.org.

### How it works

- A donor posts the donation in MealConnect™ and sets a pick-up time.
- A volunteer picks up the donation at a specified time and delivers it to a local agency.
- That's it! You've helped feed someone in our community and helped reduce local food waste.

### Agency Thoughts

"We were initially concerned when this program was introduced to us that we would not have anyone to bring these donations to us. But, some very amazing volunteers have brought us many delicious things like lasagna, lobster bisque, pot pies, cookies and cupcakes to name a few. Without the help of this program we would be utilizing money to purchase food that can now be allocated to help our residents get housing, education or any number of other services that they need on a daily basis."

**Stacy Coon**  
Executive Assistant, Contact Ministries



## Promoting Produce through Design

The Foodbank received a \$16,000 grant from Blue Cross and Blue Shield to test nudge strategies at four partner agencies – Springfield First Seventh Day Adventist Church Food Pantry, Real Life Church, UIS Cares Food Pantry and Salvation Army Citadel.

Nudges are small, low-cost changes that increase the chance that people will choose healthier foods, which helps ensure consistent access to nutritious food for the people we serve. Using signage that includes nutritional information and updating displays are examples of nudge strategies.

Through this grant, the participating agencies received equipment and signage to better display and promote Foods to Encourage (F2E), such as fruits, vegetables, protein, dairy and whole grains.

"We're looking to expand our outreach in our neighborhood community and the nudge program helps let us be more appealing and user-friendly for those we serve," said Dean West, Food Ministries Director of Springfield First Seventh Day Adventist Church Food Pantry.

This is the second opportunity the Foodbank has had to test nudge strategies. Through a previous grant from Cargill, the Foodbank was able to test nudge strategies at four other sites – Murrayville/Woodson Food Pantry, Taylorville Food Pantry, Kumler Outreach Ministries and Staunton Helping Hands Center.

**Since the original four pantries started implementing nudge strategies, the amount of produce they distribute, on average, has doubled.**

The Foodbank plans to take findings from both of these nudge tests to develop strategies that can be shared with all of the Foodbank's partners.

"I think that cooking fresh is the healthiest that you can get." - Michael



"I appreciate the variety. I like to have a little bit of everything. Certainly I like tacos. Fresh vegetables and stuff like that is very important. If I'm making tacos, I want to have fresh peppers, fresh lettuce. That's one of the big things. I know it's more convenient to have frozen or to have dry foods. I think that's really appreciated [to have fresh items]."

### STAFF

- Pam Molitoris • Executive Director
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Deb West from WNNS delivers a donation using MealConnect™ from Cafe Moxo to Cindy Drum, Stacy Coon and Linda Dickerson at Contact Ministries.