

Annual Report

2013-2014



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Filling pantries. Filling lives.

Impact

The Houston Food Bank positively impacts the lives of many southeast Texans in our 18-county service area every day. During the 2013 – 2014 fiscal year, we and all of our supporters worked hard to keep leading the fight against hunger by serving 800,000 individuals. Because people often have to make difficult choices between feeding themselves and their families and paying for other necessities, food assistance can lift a big weight from their shoulders.

With your help, we are not only filling pantries, but also filling lives.

The Food Bank's contribution to the community



59 million nutritious **meals** provided



600 partner **agencies** work with the food bank to provide food to people throughout our 18-county service area



1.8 million meals provided to kids through our Backpack Buddy and Kids Cafe programs



25.6 million pounds of fresh **produce** provided



10.8 million SNAP meals provided



800,000 individuals served

Because of You



265,503 hours of volunteer time, equivalent to **128** full time **employees**



50,000 individual **people** volunteered



Volunteers produced **1 meal each minute**

\$1 = 

1 dollar provides three meals

95¢
of every dollar



feeding
people



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Awards for Excellence

Pinnacle Winner
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Leading the Fight Against Hunger 2013-2014

A solution to hunger in times of need, the Houston Food Bank is the largest food bank in America – both in the quantity of food we distribute and the size of our facility. In 2013-2014, we settled into the second full year in our new warehouse facility at 535 Portwall, while the staff at the Keegan Kitchen cooked for kids eight miles away.

Altogether, we provided the equivalent of 59 million nutritious meals distributed through food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters and residential programs, community centers and other human service organizations where food nourishes body and spirit. Some meals were made possible through our Social Services Outreach Program, which helps families enroll in SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program).

Hunger Study

How many people get food from Houston Food Bank partner agencies? Who are they? What challenges do they face related to getting enough food? Every four years, we conduct an exhaustive survey with other Feeding America food banks to find out more about the families and individuals we serve.

What did we learn?

- The Houston Food Bank feeds 800,000 people each year through our network of partner charities.
- Almost all of them – 97% – have permanent housing and are NOT homeless.
- Hungry people cope by purchasing cheap, unhealthy food or watering down food or drinks to last longer.
- One in five are seniors, age 60 or older.

BBB Honor

The local Better Business Bureau honored the Houston Food Bank as the Pinnacle Winner in the nonprofit category, recognizing excellence and quality in the workplace. HFB also received the award in 2012.



Our Very Own Houston Texan

The Houston Texans put a face to their generous support by asking receiver DeAndre Hopkins to serve as a spokesman for the Food Bank. DeAndre helped bring media attention to the need for hunger relief.



Let the Sun Shine

Green Mountain Energy and parent company NRG each donated \$100,000 to HFB to install solar panels on our roof. The array of 280 panels generate the equivalent of two meals per hour by offsetting HFB's utility bills through solar power.

Thanks for the New Wheels

We're grateful to corporations who expanded our vehicle fleet. Noble Energy and Walmart both donated bobtail trucks for expansion of our Retail Pickup and Kids Cafe programs.



Dining Out, Doing Good

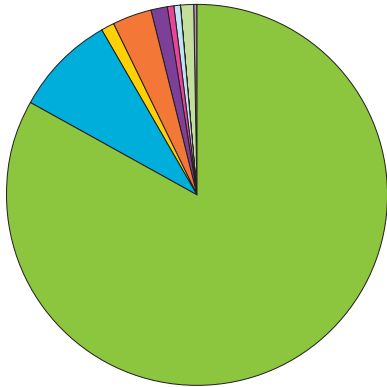
Many thanks to food journalist Cleverley Stone, founder and chair of Houston Restaurant Weeks, the Food Bank's largest annual fundraiser. The largest in the U.S., the campaign has raised a cumulative total of \$5.9 million since 2003. In 2014, the event raised \$1.6 million through 200 participating restaurants.

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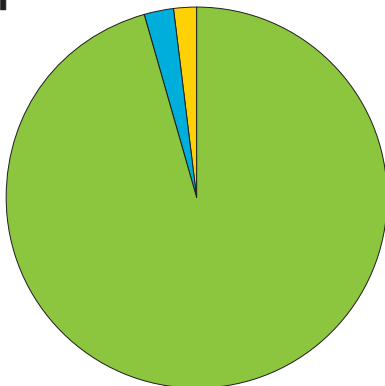
The Houston Food Bank takes steps to ensure that we carefully steward our resources and demonstrate integrity in all that we do. We uphold our mission with the trust of our staff, board, donors, volunteers, recipients and partners.

Revenue



\$131,338,312	Donated food/household items
13,391,699	Contributions (including in-kind)
1,862,508	Special events
5,298,742	Government grants/contracts
2,229,303	Agency fees
776,332	Sales of purchased food
943,430	Building lease income
259,236	Food preparation fees
1,503,027	Investment return
273,951	Other
\$157,813,658	Total revenue

Expenses



\$159,497,119	Food distribution program
3,963,749	Management and general
3,094,058	Fundraising
\$166,554,926	Total expenses

Hunger Relief: More than Food

HFB's mission will never change. We will always be the largest source of food for hunger relief in southeast Texas. And we want to do more through Allocation for Change, our vision for the future of food banking.

In the last fiscal year, HFB was knitting partnerships with nonprofits to use food in ways that have the most lasting impact on lives. The Allocation for Change effort combines food distribution with other community resources such as social services, nutrition education, and health care. A key component: food scholarships, a reliable source of food that motivates individuals to participate in partner programs for a better future.

One example is Core Connections Network, an HFB program developed in 2013-2014 in which partner agencies make a commitment to pair food distribution with social services and referrals to other sources of assistance.

We also created a new evaluation system to encourage our partner agencies to do even more to help their clients. The Allocation Alignment System awards points and offers rewards to agencies that follow best practices such as offering mostly nutritious food, or having hours that accommodate the schedules of working families.



Thank You, Donors!

The following donors sustained the mission of the Houston Food Bank through their generous gifts made in 2013–2014. Contributors who gave \$5,000 or more are listed. In addition to the donors listed below, the Houston Food Bank also wishes to gratefully acknowledge the many contributions made by members of Partners in Hope, our monthly giving society.



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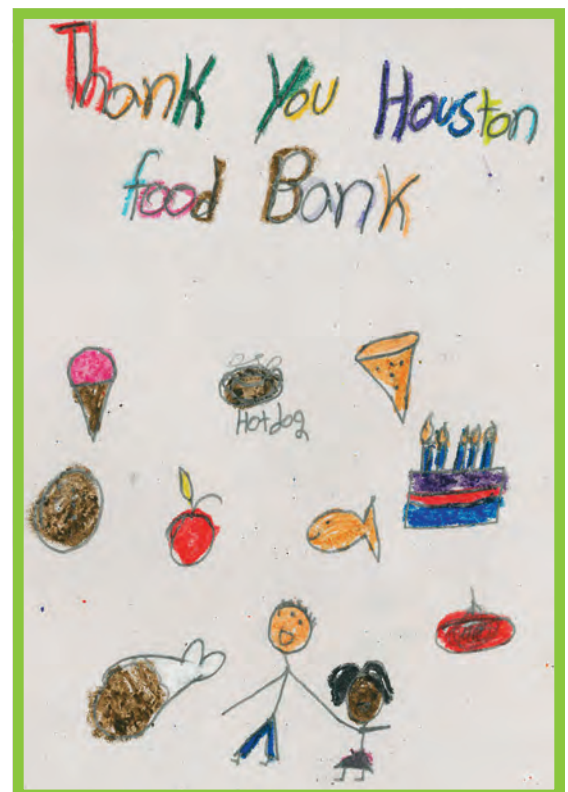
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