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Kentucky's Heartland



Fiscal Year
2021

Annual Report

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Mission Statement

To Serve Those in Need by Acquiring and Distributing Donated Food, Grocery Items, and Government Commodities Through Our Member Network of Partner Agencies in **42** Counties



Vision Statement

No One Will Go to Bed Hungry in Our Service Area.

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Rhonda
Team Support Associate

IMPACT OF WORKING AT FEEDING AMERICA, KENTUCKY'S HEARTLAND

Rhonda joined Feeding America, Kentucky's Heartland in March 2020, during the height of COVID response efforts. She never imagined how much her job would affect her personally. She recalls a time when she and another staff member delivered food boxes to homebound seniors.



Many of them were waiting on their porches for the delivery and their gratitude and appreciation overwhelmed me. It's like the Feeding America, Kentucky's Heartland staff is one big family that helps other families in need. We're here to help! Don't let your pride get in the way of accepting the help you need to overcome a difficult time in your life."

Jamie Sizemore

Executive Director



Who could have imagined in March 2020 that 15 months later we'd still be battling COVID. This pandemic has certainly played havoc on all our lives but families with school-aged children have been impacted the most. Loss of jobs, reduced hours, parents forced to stay at home with their children to assist with virtual learning and the accumulation of debt made it all the more difficult for families to provide enough food for the table.

These challenging times were met with resilient efforts from our FAKH staff, partner agencies and countless volunteers who stayed the course. These essential workers, who risked their own health, served on the front lines of this pandemic so our neighbors facing hunger would have the nutritious food they needed. We also found new partners during the crisis who stepped up to provide distribution locations, recruit volunteers for mobile food pantries and increase food access. You'll find many of their stories and the incredible results of this year's efforts in the following pages of our FY'21 Annual Report.

All of these gallant efforts helped us distribute nearly 21 million pounds of food, which was 1.2 million pounds more than last year. That distributed food provided over 17.4 million meals to people across our service area, or the equivalent of feeding a sold-out Rupp Arena filled with Kentucky Wildcat fans three meals a day for over eight months. The need was great.

Of course, none of this would have been possible without your tremendous support and commitment to our mission. Whether you donated funds or food, volunteered your time or advocated for increased social programs, your unwavering support during this crisis gave impacted families not only food but hope.

On behalf of the FAKH staff and our hungry neighbors in need, we say **Thank You!**



Throughout the pandemic people who turned to us for help had never before relied upon our charitable food system. Many lost their jobs, due to no fault of their own. Raising the public awareness of these real struggles is essential in making strides to **END HUNGER.**



Tim Hagan

Board President

Fiscal Year '21 Accomplishments

Total Distributed
20,987,797
pounds of food

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Enough Food For
17,489,831
meals

Increase  *of* **OVER 1 Million**
1,000,000
pounds

FRESH PRODUCE
1,832,421
pounds



RESCUED & REDISTRIBUTED
FOOD
2,064,065
pounds



EMERGENCY
MOBILE FOOD PANTRIES
205



SENIOR BOXES
100,888 boxes



BACKPACK
101,387 bags



Feeding America, Kentucky's Heartland's Programs



BACKPACK

Provides 12-15 kid-friendly food items to school-age children who are **at risk of going hungry**. It helps bridge gaps in nutrition during times when school meals aren't available, such as weekends and school breaks.

In FY'21, we distributed over **100,000 bags in 34 counties** served by FAKH.

Feeding America, Kentucky's Heartland leverages its ability to purchase and store large quantities of food at discounted prices. Those purchases are offered to our network of **food pantries, soup kitchens, and shelters** at costs much lower than grocery store prices. Our partner agencies use these foods to supplement their existing inventory and balance distributions.



PURCHASING CO-OP



RETAIL PICK-UP

Feeding America, Kentucky's Heartland partners with retailers like **Dollar General, Food Lion, Kroger, Walmart & Sam's Club**, to pick up products like meat, bakery and produce that don't meet the required standards for retail sale but are still safe for distribution and consumption.

Together, we rescued more than **2 million pounds of food** in FY'21.

Feeding America, Kentucky's Heartland's Programs



SERVING UP FRESH

Gaining access to healthy and affordable fresh produce when Kentucky's growing season ends is challenging for food insecure individuals and families. This program provides fresh produce from September through May to improve the overall health and well-being of rural Kentuckians.

In FY'21 FAKH through partnerships distributed over **1.8 million pounds** of fresh produce

Feeding America, Kentucky's Heartland partners with disaster relief agencies such as American Red Cross, Salvation Army and local and state emergency services offices to provide emergency food in times of disaster.



DISASTER RELIEF



MOBILE FOOD PANTRIES

Deliver fresh foods and non-perishable staples for direct distribution to underserved food deserts in our service area. FAKH conducted more than **200 Mobile Food Pantries** in FY'21.

Feeding America, Kentucky's Heartland's Programs

The Emergency Food Assistance Program is a federal program that helps supplement the diets of low-income Americans with **100% American-grown** USDA foods at no costs. This program was critically important during the pandemic by providing enough food for over **5 million meals** to struggling families in **FY'21**.



TEFAP



FARMS TO FOOD BANKS

A statewide program that helps **Kentucky farmers** cover the costs to harvest, package and transport fresh, edible agricultural products that they're unable to sell due to minor blemishes, size discrepancies or over production.

In **2021**, farmers supplemented more than **5.6 million meals** for Kentuckians facing hunger.

The Commodity Supplemental Food Program works to improve the health of low-income adults at least **60 years of age** by supplementing their diets with a monthly box of nutritious USDA non-perishable foods. In **FY'21**, FAKH distributed over **100,000 CSFP boxes** to seniors in need.



CSFP

Feeding America, Kentucky's Heartland is committed to equitable food distribution throughout our 42 county service area. Extensive data analysis helped us identify under-resourced communities, specifically the Latino population in twelve FAKH counties.



EDI

In **April 2021** FAKH hired our first Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Liaison and we began our journey by building trust and seeking partners to help us serve food-insecure Latino families in the identified communities.

In **June 2021**, our first mobile food pantry, hosted by FAKH partner agency, **Mission Hope for Kids** in Hardin County, served **167 Latino families** with healthy and culturally sensitive foods.

Currently similar efforts are underway in Hardin, Nelson, Ohio, Warren and Taylor counties with the help of FAKH partner agencies and new community support groups.

It's hard to sleep When you are **HUNGRY**



Meet Cheyanne

Cheyanne and her son David watch as volunteers load their trunk with two boxes of food - one for them and one for her mother. “I’m the caregiver for my mom, and she just lost her disability benefits which has put her and us in a hard spot. I’ve been having to cover her bills till we figure something out, and it seems like every office I call about her disability is so busy or backed up.”

To make things worse, since the pandemic hit, Cheyanne’s hours at a local restaurant have been cut and so she’s bringing in less than she normally would. “These boxes give us a cushion for the amount of money we have to spend on food. I’m really just trying to make sure my family has enough to eat, especially my son.”

Meet our Partner Agencies who are the front lines in the war on hunger.



MAYFIELD GRAVES COUNTY NEED LINE

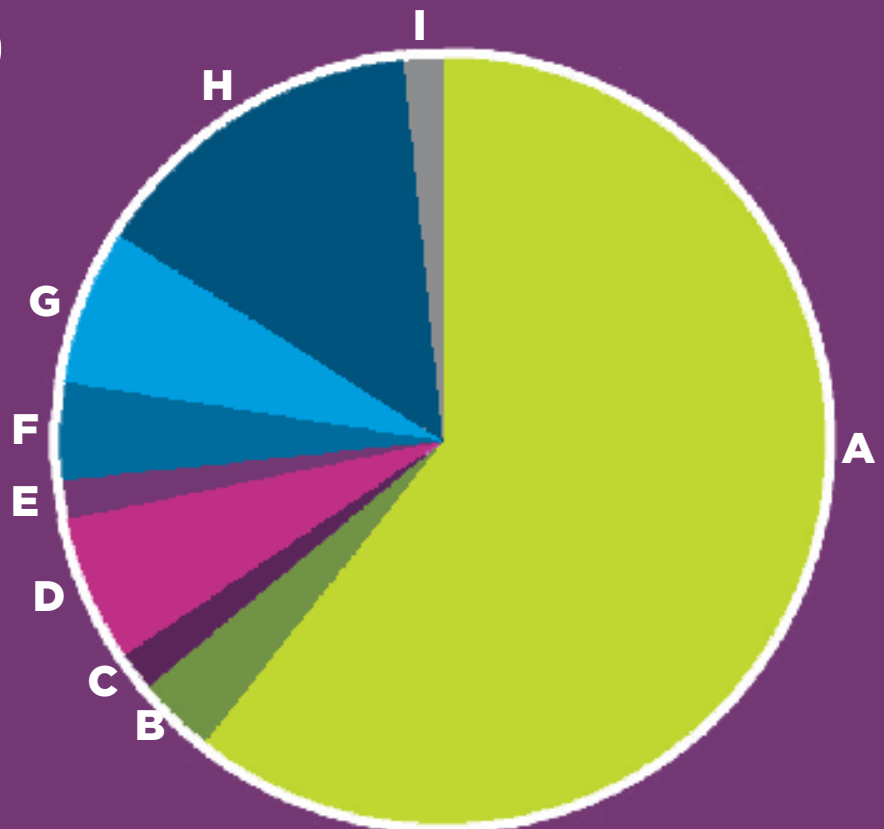
Jackie has been with the Mayfield Need Line Food Bank for 13 years. **“I retired once...this is the best job I ever had.”**

Since the pandemic hit, staff at the Need Line have realized that they are often the only social interaction their clients get so they have made an intentional effort to connect more. **“We’ve slowed down and just enjoyed talking to people more.”**

RE-GRANTED
\$483,498

TO PARTNER AGENCIES FOR FOOD, DISTRIBUTION CREDITS & EQUIPMENT

- A Emergency Pantry/Food Box (148)
- B Soup Kitchen (8)
- C Emergency Shelter (4)
- D Residential (15)
- E Senior (4)
- F Rehab (10)
- G Youth Programs (16)
- H Multi-Service (35)
- I Other (4)



Total: 244

A Word From Our Donors



Corporate Partner: Anthem



Anthem is proud to collaborate with **Feeding America Kentucky's Heartland**

to fight food insecurity in the state. We recognize the complexity of health and know that living well is about more than just receiving medical care.

The best health happens when we address its many drivers, including reliable access to healthy food,"

Neil Steffens,
President of Anthem Blue Cross and
Blue Shield's Medicare
Central Region



Giving Partners: The Norwoods

We give because no one should ever go hungry, especially children.

God gives us the ability to help others.

Please choose to be kind to others and help those who need a 'hand-up'



A Word From Our Volunteers



Corporate Volunteers:
AGC Automotive



Our local communities have been good to our businesses and our associates.

Feeding America does great work by helping people in our communities who don't have enough to eat. Volunteering is a chance for us all to give back and make this a better place to live and work."

AGC



Ruth & Tommy Dinsmore

"When I worked in the school system, I would see the kids getting backpack food to take home. I didn't realize exactly where it came from. My church did an outreach here. I knew that when I retired that this is where I wanted to volunteer.



216



New Volunteers

12



Corporate Groups

620



Total Volunteers

Total

5,147

Hours

Financials

Summary of Revenue/Support:

USDA/CSFP Distribution Fees.....	1,815,331
Shared Maintenance Fees.....	302,659
Contributions and Grants.....	3,004,268
Food Purchase Program & Delivery Fees.....	598,392
Other Revenue (Interest, Pallet and Cardboard Sales).....	58,621
Donated Food.....	27,363,679
Total Revenue/Support.....	33,142,950

Summary of Expenses:

Food Distributed.....	26,938,325
Food Acquisition Costs.....	2,355,220
Total Employee Costs.....	1,171,771
Occupancy.....	119,180
Supplies.....	122,843
Food Delivery Costs/Travel.....	135,318
Equipment/Bldg. Maintenance Repair.....	120,259
Development/Fundraising.....	95,856
Dues.....	26,473
Interest Expense.....	18,665
Other (Acct., Printing, Postal, etc.).....	112,736
Depreciation.....	134,675
Total Expenses.....	31,351,321

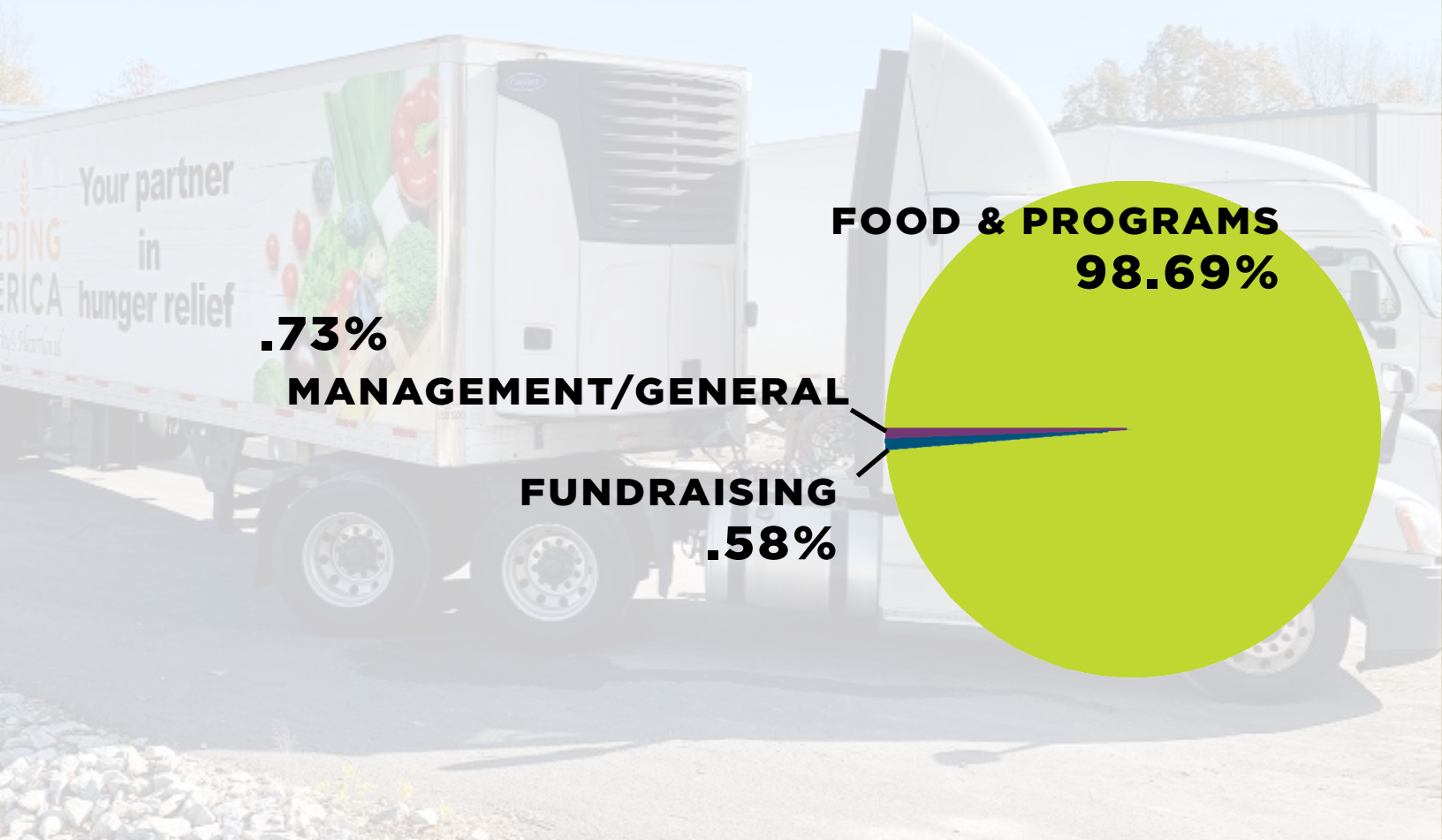
Functional Expenses

Net Assets:

Beginning Net Assets.....	6,780,193
Ending Net Assets.....	8,571,822

*Includes value of donated food inventory

For the Fiscal Year 2021, **98.69%** of funds were spent on food and program expenses, only **.73%** was used for management and general expenses and **.58%** was used for fundraising expenses.



**FOOD & PROGRAMS
98.69%**

.73%

MANAGEMENT/GENERAL

**FUNDRAISING
.58%**

Distributed Foods

Meat/Protein
11.94%

Dairy
9.68%

Produce
13.14%

Shelf Stable/ Other
65.24%



Government Commodities
61.56%

Purchased
10.70%

Donated
27.74%

County Impact Report

	# Food Insecure Individuals	# Food Insecure Children	# Partner Agencies	Pounds of Food Provided by FAKH	\$ Value of Food Provided by FAKH
Kentucky	644,540	179,030			
FAKH Service Area	159,060	46,340	244	20,987,797	\$34,119,893
Adair	3,210	790	4	603,981	\$1,054,871
Allen	3,180	980	2	225,455	\$388,814
Ballard	1,100	340	5	94,662	\$163,520
Barren	7,740	2,430	9	556,286	\$956,164
Breckinridge	3,160	940	6	345,210	\$595,816
Butler	2,090	590	4	389,513	\$673,353
Caldwell	1,980	580	3	436,749	\$752,219
Calloway	5,870	1,290	2	340,885	\$582,473
Carlisle	620	170	4	137,098	\$239,637
Casey	2,810	780	3	206,492	\$352,522
Christian	11,600	4,090	13	904,477	\$1,572,893
Clinton	1,880	540	3	548,503	\$948,507
Cumberland	1,040	270	5	142,710	\$245,159
Edmonson	2,010	480	3	250,163	\$430,843
Fulton	1,190	400	3	129,883	\$221,600
Graves	5,490	1,710	7	761,419	\$1,331,148
Grayson	4,710	1,500	2	667,570	\$1,157,352
Green	1,860	470	2	164,086	\$283,526
Hancock	1,030	320	2	217,248	\$374,173
Hardin	13,670	4,210	41	1,655,432	\$2,893,394
Hart	3,110	920	2	743,645	\$1,290,605
Hickman	640	160	2	102,080	\$174,757
Larue	2,030	590	4	642,398	\$1,111,368
Logan	3,650	1,100	5	476,986	\$836,924
Lyon	1,250	260	2	122,944	\$216,394
Marion	3,150	1,030	4	281,521	\$483,747
Marshall	3,740	900	4	390,668	\$672,589
McCracken	8,980	2,560	7	500,189	\$858,523
Meade	3,630	1,000	7	448,626	\$772,054
Metcalfe	1,770	530	4	718,600	\$1,242,732
Monroe	1,860	530	4	436,297	\$746,546
Muhlenberg	4,680	1,170	3	1,074,388	\$1,866,110
Nelson	5,170	1,480	7	580,484	\$1,009,337
Ohio	3,700	1,290	4	609,805	\$1,067,780
Russell	3,110	830	5	242,120	\$417,869
Simpson	2,350	780	8	309,699	\$535,208
Taylor	4,080	1,070	10	467,477	\$816,801
Todd	1,740	520	3	205,678	\$356,394
Trigg	1,890	540	1	254,457	\$440,229
Warren	16,960	4,660	18	1,640,120	\$2,833,462
Washington	1,540	450	5	182,183	\$316,022
Wayne	3,790	1,090	5	486,569	\$836,458

Data from Feeding America's Map the Meal Gap 2021 Study & 2021 Q4 Network QPR report. Value of donated and purchased food \$1.79/pound. Value of USDA commodities food \$1.70/pound.

National Guard Saves The Day

In April 2020, Governor Beshear activated the Kentucky National Guard to assist food banks with the increased demand brought on by the pandemic and the loss of volunteers. Even still today, the men and women of The Kentucky National Guard continue to provide critical support to FAKH in numerous ways.



Wayne Tyree Director of Operations

“The pandemic quickly depleted our volunteer base and COVID forced us to close down our volunteer center. As our partner agencies began to shut down due to their staff and own volunteers being quarantined, we then had to pack emergency TEFAP boxes and distribute them off the back of our truck. The KY National Guard provided critical assistances not only in packing emergency food boxes but carrying out mobile food pantries in many communities where food insecurity skyrocketed.”



**Are you ready to join us at the table?
Take your seat today!**

