

Food Gatherers Year End Report to Partners FY 2024-2025

Food Gatherers' mission is to alleviate hunger and eliminate its causes in our community.

Alleviate Hunger



10.3 Million Pounds distributed
= **8.6 Million Meals**

61% was produce and protein

Food Gatherers works with 140 Partner Programs, including food pantries, food distributions, residential programs, community meal sites, schools, housing sites and many other community partners.

Food Gatherers' Direct Service Programs:

- Food Gatherers Community Kitchen (@ Delonis Center) provided 63,461 lunches and dinners and was open 364 days.
- Healthy School Pantry Program provided 315,500 lb of fresh produce and healthy groceries to 10,000 families, including 23,810 children, across 22 programs.
- Summer Food Service Program (2024) served 71,672 meals at 9 sites.
- Neighborhood Grocery Initiative distributed 875,000 lb at 23 sites to 1400 households a month.

Find Food Referrals and Outreach

Find Food webpage foodgatherers.org/findfood

- 9,400 page views this fiscal year

Find Food Flyers

- 10,000 + flyers distributed in 6 different languages (English, Spanish, Arabic, Chinese, Korean, Japanese)

Find Food Calls—helping neighbors connect with the best-fit program and services

- 450 calls. (English and Spanish.)

Eliminate the Causes of Hunger

PARTNER SUPPORT

Food Gatherers provided \$1.7 million in Carrot Credits (food purchasing grants) to our partners in FY2025 to respond to the increased food costs and sustained level of need in our community.

DoorDash Partnership: Food Gatherers supported the fees for delivery programs at select sites, resulting in 10,827 deliveries by DoorDash in FY2025.

Agency Advisory Group: The fourth cohort provided valuable feedback to Food Gatherers and learned a lot from each other. FY26 recruitment happens in Sept.!

ADVOCATE

Food Gatherers hosted our 4th biennial State of Our Plate event on April 4th. The event brought together community and agency partners, and elected officials to learn more about recent and upcoming policy changes and the impact that our network has on hunger relief.

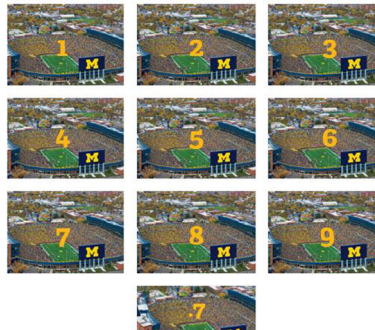
Food Gatherers continues to engage our partner agencies in scenario planning to ensure a thoughtful and transparent response to federal changes.

Sign up for action alerts: foodgatherers.org/advocate

ANALYZE AND STRENGTHEN

People Served

Using data that all partners provide to us via the quarterly census or TEFAP reports, as well as data from agencies using Link2Feed, Food Gatherers calculates that **our network served 27,000 unique households, made up of 59,000 different people in FY2025. If we count every person in each household every time they get services, that is 1,040,000 Total Visits in FY2025, enough to fill the UM Big House 9.7 times**



Link2Feed

51 partner programs recorded visits using Link2Feed in FY2025, and more continue to onboard. Thank you for joining us in this new phase of learning about who we are serving. **During FY2025, participating sites recorded 17,209 different households, and 147,732 total household visits.** Food Gatherers is proud to be able to offer Link2Feed at no cost to our partner programs!



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