

MORE OF OUR STATEWIDE IMPACT IN 2025

FOOD DISTRIBUTION BY COUNTY

January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025



1 in 8 Delawareans is food insecure



1 in 6 Delaware children is food insecure

2,930,249

pounds of produce distributed

3,764,536

pounds of meat distributed



15,421,842

pounds of food distributed



606

Partners

Mobile Pantry Partners - 144

Partner Agencies - 206

Backpack Partners - 210

Senior Partners - 46



263,644

backpack meal kits distributed



14,369

households served by the on-site Healthy Pantry Centers in Newark and Milford

8,078,385 pounds
in New Castle County

3,894,551 pounds
in Kent County

3,448,906 pounds
in Sussex County



280

mobile pantries held

22,345

households served



14,884

Senior meal boxes distributed



700

Delawareans supported with SNAP application assistance



138

workforce training program graduates



13,465

home deliveries through Amazon



429

Delawareans assisted with financial coaching



566

Adults and children participated in nutrition education classes



The Food Bank of Delaware is looking for caring volunteers like YOU to help make a difference. Whether it's harvesting fresh produce from our farm and garden, packing meal boxes, assisting in our Healthy Pantry Center or lending a hand at mobile food pantries, your time and energy directly support families across Delaware.



Why Volunteer?

- ✓ Fight hunger right here in your community
- ✓ Meet new friends and be part of a team
- ✓ Learn new skills and have fun
- ✓ Make an impact



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OUR PROGRAMS



The Food Bank of Delaware is more than just a warehouse that accepts and distributes food donations. We're feeding and empowering Delawareans - we call it Food For Today and Food For Tomorrow!

FOOD FOR TODAY - FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Backpack Program

This program provides food to at-risk children for weekends and holidays when school is not in session or federal school meal programs are not available. Backpacks are stocked with kid-friendly, nutritious food including shelf-stable milk and juice, pop-top cans, macaroni and cheese, apple sauce, cereal and more.

Commodity Supplement Food Program

The Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) is a federal food program that is designed to improve the health of senior citizens. Food for the program is provided by the United States Department of Agriculture's agency of Food and Nutrition Service. Eligible seniors must meet income requirements, live in Delaware and be at least 60 years of age.

Partner Agencies

The Food Bank distributes food out through a network of partner agencies. These partners include food closets in schools, churches and other organizations, soup kitchens, shelters and other organizations that are directly serving the public.

Mobile Pantry

A Food Bank truck goes directly into underserved communities to distribute food. Both perishable and nonperishable foods are distributed.

Home Delivery

Thanks to a partnership with Amazon, boxes of nonperishable food are delivered to homebound Delawareans each month.

Healthy Pantry Center

Individuals in need of food assistance can visit food pantries at both the Newark and Milford facilities. The pantries are set up like mini grocery stores so families can pick items best suited for their household.

Food Bank Farm/Garden

The Food Bank's agriculture team grow fresh foods on a five-acre farm in Newark and a 3.5-acre garden in Milford. Produce is grown year round and distributed through various Food Bank programs including the Healthy Pantry Center.

FOOD FOR TOMORROW - WORKFORCE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Nutrition Education

This program aims to educate low-income Delawareans about healthy eating decisions within a limited budget. The team also encourages donations of nutritious food and works with Food Bank partners to ensure that neighbors in need are receiving a variety of healthy foods when visiting local pantries.

Smart Choices for WIC

Smart Choices for WIC (Women, Infants, and Children) is a skills and knowledge-building program utilizing the 2010 Dietary Guidelines and USDA MyPlate recommendations. This program focuses on teaching pregnant and new mothers about healthy eating and how they can learn to prepare nutritious easy meals from the foods on their food vouchers. Classes are held online and at community locations throughout the state.

SNAP Outreach

The Food Bank of Delaware is a one-stop for SNAP benefit application assistance. Our outreach team helps Delawareans navigate the Delaware Health and Social Services benefit process, so Delawareans can get the help they need!

Stand By Me

The mission of Stand By Me® is to provide Delawareans with a Personal Financial Coach and a toolkit to navigate the challenges leading to personal financial security. The program goal is to increase the capacity of Delawareans to understand and manage their finances in order to increase their financial stability and future economic opportunities. Two Stand By Me Coaches are housed out of the Food Bank of Delaware.

Delaware Food Works

Delaware Food Works is a workforce development initiative of the Food Bank of Delaware. Delaware Food Works provides training opportunities to Delaware adults in the areas of food service (The Culinary School, The Kitchen School and Summer Exploration Program) and warehousing/logistics (L.O.G.I.C. - Logistics, Operations, General Warehousing and Inventory Control)

S.T.E.P. (Specialized Training Employment Program)

STEP allows us better integrate people with disabilities into our workforce. The STEP team identified jobs traditionally done by volunteers or tasks that can be carved out of employees' responsibilities to provide opportunities to people with disabilities. Once hired they are provided support to be successful in their roles. The initiative fosters diversity and inclusiveness by empowering and employing people with disabilities within our organization.





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CAN CREATE A
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