



# Hunger in Northeast Ohio

QUICK FACTS • FISCAL YEAR 2017

## FOOD INSECURITY IN NORTHEAST OHIO

**16.8%**

Percentage of population that is food insecure

**21.1%**

Percentage of child population that is food insecure

**604,555**

Number of people eligible for our services

## OUR WORK IN NORTHEAST OHIO

FISCAL YEAR 2017



**Meals Provided** 55,349,322



**Pounds Distributed** 45,402,213



**Perishable Food Distributed** (IN POUNDS) 29,081,178

AVERAGE SERVED PER MONTH

**People Served** 228,739

**Children Served** 53,935

**Seniors Served** 36,756



NUMBER OF PROGRAMS

**Hot Meal Sites** 119

**Food Pantries** 230

**BackPack for Kids Programs** 53

**Kids Cafes** 101

**School Markets** 29

**Mobile Pantries** 145

**Senior Programs** 54

**Food as Medicine Sites** 19

56,047,500 meals are missed in six county service area each year.

**\$1 = 4 meals**

A donation of one dollar can make possible four meals for hungry people in our communities.

### FOOD INSECURITY

Food insecurity refers to the USDA's measure of lack of regular access to enough food for an active, healthy life for all household members and limited or uncertain availability of nutritionally adequate foods.

### THE POVERTY MEASURE

A family of 4 earning up to \$49,200 a year is considered to be living at 200% of poverty. This is based on the 2017 federal poverty guidelines. Any household living at or below 200% of poverty is eligible for our services.

### MEALS PROVIDED

Meals are provided through food distribution and through SNAP benefit outreach efforts.

### MAP THE MEAL GAP

Map the Meal Gap's food insecurity rates are determined using data from the 2001-2015 Current Population Survey on individuals in food insecure households; data from the 2011-2015 American Community Survey on median household incomes, poverty rates, and race and ethnic demographics; and 2015 data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics on unemployment rates. Learn more at [feedingamerica.org/mapthegap](http://feedingamerica.org/mapthegap).