

## With Your Help, in 2016 We Accomplished ...



**9,941**

We distributed **9,941** food packages.



**91.2**

We have **increased the amount of produce** from 82.4 pounds to 91.2 pounds in 2016.



**1,823**

We provided food for: **1,823 families** including **1,935 children** and **383 seniors**



**324,948**

Through our partnerships with local farmers, Farmers Against Hunger, and our own Food Bank garden, we **distributed 324,948 pounds of fresh produce.**



**1,120,459**

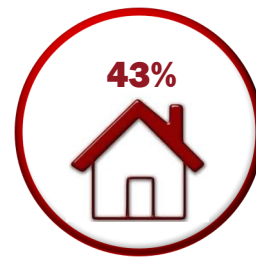
**1,120,459 pounds of food were processed through our warehouse.**

620,345 - Locally Donated  
164,488 - Gov't Funded  
68,026 - CO-OP\* Purchased  
267,600 - CO-OP\* Donated  
*\*Partnership with Feeding America*



**7,167**

That's how many hours **our volunteers** donated in just our warehouse alone. This doesn't include the many hours on events, food drives, or even committees. If we had to pay for this help it would cost \$191,358.90!



**43%**

With the help of our food packages, our clients were able to:  
Pay rent—**43%**  
Pay utility bills—**34%**  
Buy prescriptions—**20%**  
Attend school—**3%**

## With Your Help, We CAN Achieve Our Goals for 2017 ...



Some of our equipment is outdated and no longer energy efficient or cost effective. We want to **upgrade lighting, purchase a box truck, and replace an old van.**



Continuing to improve our client's nutritional, dietary, and ethnic options while working toward offering **client choice.**



Franklin Township is a very large town. We are **increasing our community outreach** to identify underserved populations.



With your help we will **increase fundraising by 20%**



The mission of the Franklin Food Bank is to enhance the quality of life for Franklin Township residents in need by providing food assistance in an atmosphere of dignity and respect.

## Visit Our Website

If you want more information about any of the topics covered here, find out how you can help, learn about our *fun* fund- and friend-raisers, volunteer opportunities, or if you know someone who needs help, please visit our website ...

[www.FranklinFoodBank.org](http://www.FranklinFoodBank.org)

We talk about our volunteers a lot, for good reason. They are the heart and soul of the food bank. Other than a few part-time staff members, we rely solely on others to sort our food, prepare food packages, pick up donations, work on the Food Bank farm, distribute our food packages, greet and check in our clients, hold food drives, volunteer at events, and volunteer to serve on our Advisory Board and Board of Trustees. If we had to pay for their services, in 2016 it would have far exceeded \$191,358.90 and that is only what we track in our warehouse.

*“I learned about the Food Bank from my employer, Phillips Lighting. They always donated and spoke highly of the Food Bank. When I stopped working I wanted to make a difference in my community; hunger is an important issue to me. I continue to volunteer, because I like the volunteers, staff, and especially the clients. I’m making a difference.”*

*Suzanne Apel, Food Bank volunteer*

Our volunteers come from all walks of life: retired people who are looking to give back, student looking to build their college resumes, scouts and school clubs who need community service hours, unemployed people who are looking to keep active while looking for a job, students needing internships, community members who want to give back, families who are looking to teach their children the world is bigger than their neighborhood, and former clients who appreciate how we have helped them. Businesses who want to build their teams volunteer and then de-brief over lunch. One thing they all have in common is they all want to make a difference in the lives of others.

If you have a few hours to spare and want to make a difference, we need you. Visit the Give Help section of our website—[www.FranklinFoodBank.org](http://www.FranklinFoodBank.org).

*“It’s nice to know there are people who can help when you really need it.”*

*Quote from Client Satisfaction Survey  
September, 2016*

Mike is a construction worker and has contributed to our community for many years. A couple of years ago his wife, Sally, got sick. They depleted their savings to care for her but eventually Mike had to stay home to care for her. Foreclosure on their home is imminent. A family who gave so much to their neighbors now have to rely on them to survive. Mike is so thankful that he can come once a month and get a shopping cart filled with food or come for bread and produce, when necessary. Mike knows that we are here for him so he can spend Sally’s final days with her.

Mike’s story is one of many we hear at the Food Bank. Anyone of us can fall upon hard times and it is nice to know that people are there to help you.