





For me, 2016 was the year of the zipper. have always been somewhat amazed at how zippers work. The slider moves up and down to either bring the zipper chain together or take it apart. It seems so easy yet something special happens when that slider moves. You would think that something brought together so easily and taken apart so easily would fall apart easily but zippers are actually very strong! But, as we all know, just let a small thread or piece of cloth get in the slider and everything comes to a halt. You have to stop, go backwards, remove the offending item and start over. Sometimes it gets so stuck you have to really pull, tug and wiggle, hoping you don't break one of the chain's teeth. Then if you break a piece of the chain it pretty much ruins the zipper and you have to always work around the damaged area.

Well, last year was like using a zipper for us at the Arkansas Foodbank. On January 1, 2016 we began to bring together two different organizations with strong skills and resources but with gaps in their strengths. Through the merger we wove those strengths together to form a much stronger chain that will help us support hundreds of local agencies and feed thousands of hungry Arkansans. Many times an issue would come up and block progress. We often had to go backwards in order to move forward again. The board, leadership

team, and staff spent hours working on each issue to allow us to go forward without damaging the strengths of both organizations.

At the end of 2016 I feel we can say the zipper is all the way up! We are truly merged as organizations and we can really begin to focus on our future together. We set out to come together so we could provide more food to those in need, serve more people and increase in efficiencies. In 2016 we distributed 25 million pounds of food! That is more than both organizations distributed jointly in 2015. We were able to do this by increasing efficiencies and working on a final operating budget that saved us more money in 2016.

I had no idea that 2016 was going to mean so many things for this organization. I am so proud of how resilient staff has been in raising the bar during a transition year and forever grateful to all of you who helped make a difference for so many children, families, and seniors in our state. Our eyes are now focused on making 2017 as ambitious as the year before. Staff is on course to fine tune each procedure and policy within the organization. We are well on our way to accomplishing our goals and we have each one of you to thank for that. You continued to give and support us in the "Year of the Zipper" and I know we will be United to Fight Hunger in the future!

2016 BY THE NUMBERS

Total Receipted Product in Pounds	25,194,777
TOP FIVE FOOD CATEGORIES DISTRIBUTED	
Fresh Fruits/Vegetables Mixed/Assorted Dry Meat/Fish/Poultry Bread/Bakery Vegetables: Canned and Frozen	4,040,385 3,292,984 2,604,401 1,800,006 1,771,898
Total Distributed Product	25,055,287

FOOD SOURCES

TOTAL 20.9 MILLION MEALS

The Arkansas Foodbank relies on seven primary areas to create a steady source of food for its 300 member agencies across 33 counties.

(Numbers from 2016 fiscal year)



- Retail/Wholesale **32%**
- Manufacturer 22%
- Federal Commodities 12%
- Miscellaneous 11%
- Member Food Bank Transfers 10%
- Purchased Food 9%
- Produce 3%
- Food Drives 1%

WHERE DID THE MEALS GO?

FY2016 was a record year for the **Arkansas Foodbank distributing 20,879,406 meals** across our 33-county service area! The Foodbank serves 280,000 people a year with 68,000 pounds of food leaving our warehouse everyday. Here is our county breakdown by distribution for 2016.

Distribution by Meals in 2016





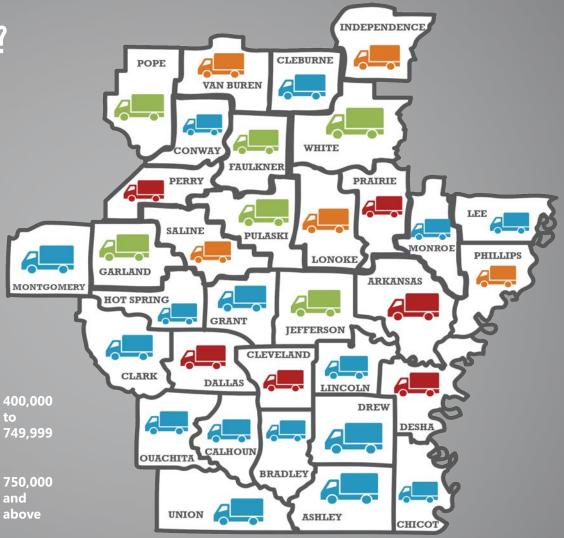
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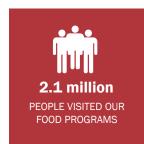
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United to Fight Hunger!

Program Services

Our network of community partners — food pantries, soup kitchens, and shelters — are working on the front lines of hunger relief. The Foodbank relies heavily on all of our programs to make sure every Arkansan has a place at the table. Thanks to your support, we're investing in them and growing their capacity throughout our service area and in your neighborhood.



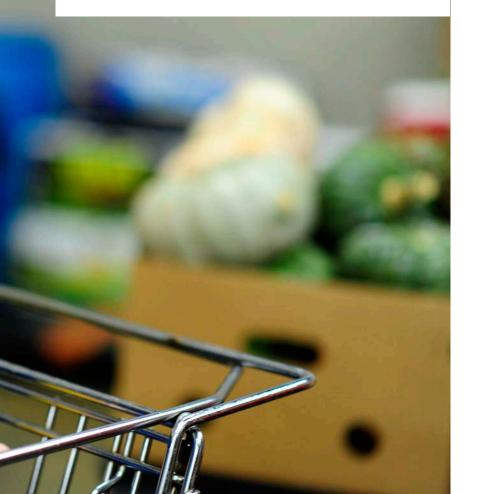








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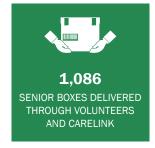
Helping the Most Vulnerable

We envision communities that are healthier, happier and more productive through improved nutrition. We empower and provide dignity and hope to families, and contribute to improved academics for children by providing nutritious food through three main programs: **Food For Families, Food For Kids, and Food For Seniors.** These programs are designed to seek, identify and implement the best solutions to fight hunger, meeting people where they are.











Special Events and Volunteers

The Arkansas Foodbank hosts four annual fundraisers: Empty Bowls, THV Summer Cereal Drive, Harvest Night and KARK Telethon. Furthermore, the Foodbank relies on volunteers to help us with our mission. They make our complex operations work and we wouldn't be able to feed so many Arkansans without their help!



\$439,243

MONEY RAISED
THROUGH SPECIAL EVENTS
IN 2016



9,264

TOTAL VOLUNTEERS
THAT VISITED
ARKANSAS FOODBANK



26,034

TOTAL HOURS CONTRIBUTED BY VOLUNTEERS



332,486

NEW RECORD OF CEREAL COLLECTED AT THV11's SUMMER CEREAL DRIVE Ally Financial Inc. Community Relations Arkansas Community Foundation Arkansas Community Health and Education Arkansas Conference United Methodist Church Arkansas Rice Federation, Inc. Arvest Bank Operations, Inc. Ashlev. Garv Baldwin & Shell Construction Company Bank of The Ozarks Belk, Imogene and Charles Bell, Christina Big Orange Midtown Bob White Memorial Foundation Bolton, Gloria and Clay Bowyer, Richard Boyle, TJ and Cindy **Briggs Equipment** Brookshire Grocery Co. Burkhalter, Hubert Cardinal Health Foundation Carl B. and Florence E. King Foundation Cavallero, Andrew and Jenny Charles A Frueauff Foundation Inc. Christ the King Catholic Church Clark, Kimberly Cohank

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Financial Summary Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2016 – Audited

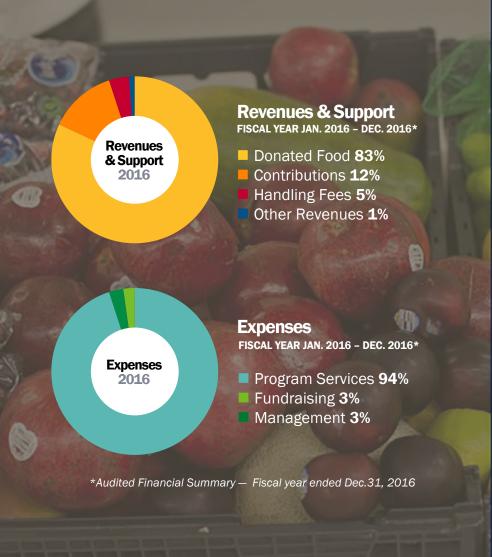
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Total net assets	\$	22,764,344
Permanently Restricted		5,045,648 122,030
Unrestricted Temporarily Restricted	\$	17,596,666
Net assets		
Total Liabilities	\$	2,428,238
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	\$	1,456,203
Liability Under Charitable Remainder Trust	\$	
Noncurrent Liablilities		
Total Current Liabilities	\$	972,035
Deferred Revenue		676,978
Accrued Payroll and Taxes		146,697
Current Liabilities Accounts Payable	\$	148,360
Liabilities and Net Assets		
TOTAL ASSETS	S	25,192,582
Total noncurrent assets	\$	5,471,483
Assets Held in Charitable Remainder Trust		2,613,289
Utility and Security Deposits		329
Unconditional Promises to Give - Noncurrent Portion		150,000
Endowment Funds	Ψ	130,787
Noncurrent Assets Property and Equipment, Net	\$	10,353,286
Total current assets	\$	11,944,891
Prepaid Items		17,918
Investments		5,445,483
Inventory - Food Products		4,052,714
Unconditional Promises to Give, Current Portion		185,000
Cash and Cash Equivalents Accounts Receivable	\$	2,069,637 174,409
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Revenues

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	Ś	513.610
Total expenses	\$	43,874,164
Management and general		1,136,200
Fundraising		1,371,440
Program services	\$	42,768,245
Expenses		
Total revenues	\$	44,387,774
Other		363,223
Loss on Sale of Assets		<1,373,000>
Handling Fees and Food Revenue		2,215,591
Other revenue		
USDA Assistance		283,380
Contributions		5,508,354
Donated food	\$	37,017,958
Public Support		

NOTE: Financials include the value of donated food. Donated product on hand at year-end is valued at the national wholesale value of one pound of food, as determined by the most recent study conducted by Feeding America. Food donations and distributions of donated product are recorded at the weighted average wholesale value in effect during the year. The Information in this summary was excerpted from our complete audited financial statements, which are available on our website and upon request.



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OUR MISSION: The Arkansas Foodbank is the foundation in the fight against hunger. We find pathways to connect people, resources and food to reach those in need, providing dignity, hope and a brighter future for all Arkansans.