Campaign Against Summer Hunger



all faiths food bank"

TOGETHER WITH OUR PARTNERS, WE PROVIDE HEALTHY SOLUTIONS TO END HUNGER IN OUR COMMUNITY

THANK YOU TO OUR LEAD SPONSORS AND INVESTORS



GULF COAST COMMUNITY FOUNDATION



SARASOTA, YOU DID IT!



35,815 CHILDREN SERVED 2,249,640 MEALS 188 SUMMER PARTNERS



Summer Hunger Impact Report: From the Desk of Sandra Frank

Dear Hunger Heroes,

The success of this year's Campaign Against Summer Hunger brought us one step closer to realizing our goal of ending hunger within our community. Regardless of age, background or zip code, over 35,000 children had access to nutritious meals over the summer – a 15% increase from summer 2016. Thanks to you, All Faiths Food Bank delivered vital meals to children who truly needed them, including siblings 0-5 years old known as our "invisible children"!

In this report, you will find an overview of our work and the impact it had on creating a better summer for children throughout our community. Your generosity helped provide more than 2 million meals to our next-door neighbors who, sadly, battle hunger and access to nutritious meals through the summer months.

Although we exceeded our goals of feeding tummies over the summer months, there's still so much more we can do. Our accomplishments are, in part, due to the hard work of many through innovation, collaboration, partnerships and the power of community. Thanks to the generosity and efforts of Hunger Heroes like you, we are one step closer to ending hunger in our community.

All Faiths Food Bank will always be here for our community, supported by our community. Together, we can make enormous strides to expand our services to better reach everyone who is in need. As we continue to plan and grow, we promise to find the best solutions to invest in the future of our community. Together, we will ensure that no one goes hungry in Sarasota and Desoto Counties.

Thankful for all you do,

Sandra Frank CEO, All Faiths Food Bank

THANK YOU!

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BACKPACK

BackPacks with nutritious snacks were available at 83 sites throughout the summer in Sarasota and DeSoto Counties.

39,773 Backpacks Distributed

1,530

Children served



SCHOOL PANTRY

School Pantries were open at 7 schools during the summer with a total of 35 distributions, which distributed 57,448 meals during summer 2017.



MOBILE PANTRY

Mobile Pantries operated at 22 sites with a total of 77 distributions providing 516,235 meals to families in Sarasota and DeSoto Counties.

6,088 Children served

Children served

Partner Agencies



MOBILE FARM MARKET

Mobile Farm Markets operated at 22 sites during the summer with a total of 115 distributions of fresh fruits and vegetables.

PARTNER AGENCY NETWORK

Partner Agencies work with the food bank all year to provide food pantries and meals to the community. Approximately 60% of the food provided through All Faiths Food Bank is distributed through these year-round partnerships. This summer, Partner Agencies contributed to the success of the summer hunger program by providing over 1,040,793 meals to the community.

"Thanks so much for your service this summer- it was critical to our families! You could feel the relief in the air as the family grabbed a backpack to hold them over for the weekend. You do truly life saving work!"

"I want you to know just how important the snacks the All Faiths Food Bank provided are to our kids. We all are grateful for the healthy snacks that made the summer a great experience for all. We hope you will be able to help us out next summer as well." "One mom cried as she told me that she wouldn't be able to send her three kids to school tomorrow without the backpacks. She explained that she had no money left for food and her food stamps/WIC didn't reload again for two more days. Her children missed school around the same time every month, now I know why. This summer, I am happy to say, they have made it to school everyday!"

PARTNERSHIPS FOR SUCCESS

All Faiths Food Bank is the only food bank serving Sarasota and DeSoto Counties. To prepare for the extra demands of summer, All Faiths Food Bank collaborates with additional community partners to establish more sites for children and their families to receive food over the break. This summer a total of 188 organizations participated in providing BackPacks, meals, snacks and food distributions. This includes our 57 year-round Partner Agencies, and an additional 131 partners that were brought on just for the summer program.

KEY SUMMER PARTNERSHIPS

- Sarasota County Schools Food & Nutrition Services (FNS) implements the BreakSpot Summer Meal program in Sarasota and DeSoto Counties. Through funding provided by United States Department of Agriculture, FNS is able to provide hot breakfast and lunch for children through the summer schools and other community sites where children attend.
- All Faiths Food Bank provides support to FNS to enhance the meal services they provide to children. Sarasota County Libraries coordinates with All Faiths Food Bank to provide BackPacks at all libraries and with FNS to offer summer meals to children at 3 libraries in Sarasota County.
- Early Learning Coalition connected All Faiths Food Bank to a total of 23 child care facilities. These child care facilities have high rates of Child Care Connection families, which was key to reaching children ages 0-5.

CHILDREN SERVED THROUGH SUMMER DISTRIBUTION BREAKDOWN



NUTRITION EDUCATION

This summer, All Faiths Food Bank coordinated Cooking Matters classes during Parent University night at all the Summer Learning Academies, including Gocio Elementary, Tuttle Elementary, Alta Vista Elementary and Emma E. Booker Elementary. Parents had the option of participating in a 5-week Cooking Matters class that combined a visit to the School Pantry, so families could take home groceries that coordinated with the recipes and skills they were learning each week.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

All Faiths Food Bank participated in a total of 22 summer community events as well as back-to-school events providing fresh produce and BackPacks to kids.

TOP 5 AREAS WITH INCREASES FROM 2016 TO 2017:

