

# COVID-19 Impact Report July 2020

Your support helps feed people throughout our community. Because of you, we can:

Work with partner agencies to provide record levels of food in hard-hit communities

Feed families facing hunger for the first time

Help feed children who are out of school

Provide food to vulnerable seniors



**12.2M**  
**pounds of food**  
**provided since the**  
**pandemic began**

**9% +**  
**increase in food**  
**distributed**  
**compared to**  
**last year**

## YOU ENABLED A SWIFT RESPONSE

Thanks to compassionate friends like you, Connecticut Food Bank has been providing children, families, and seniors since 1982. Our network of 500 food access points is where our neighbors turn when paychecks stop, tragedy strikes, school ends, or other hardships lead to hunger.

The Coronavirus pandemic is a perfect storm of disruption: more people need food assistance than ever before in our 38 year history; food donations dried up suddenly; social distancing and shelter in place orders upended our food distribution model and resulted in the sudden loss of hundreds of volunteers.

Thanks to the exceptional generosity of partners like you, struggling families had somewhere to turn.

During this crisis, record numbers of people are turning to Connecticut Food Bank for food assistance — many for the first time. Your support is hard at work helping to:



## Distribute 12.2 million pounds of food since March

While we've had to add new procedures such as wearing masks, gloves and limiting physical contact, your generosity ensured we were able to meet the increased need for service. You're helping get food into the hands of those who need it most!

## Hand out 2.5 million pounds of fresh produce



Fresh fruits and vegetables are often the most requested items and can be too expensive to purchase on an already limited budget. You're providing healthy produce to your neighbors in need!



## Care for seniors and homebound individuals

Many senior citizens and immunocompromised individuals have been unable to leave their homes due to transportation challenges or being high-risk for the virus. You're giving them nourishing food so they can stay safe and healthy at home!

## Help distribute food at 500 locations



Though the pandemic changed the way we were able to distribute food — creating drive-thru distributions and other ways to minimize interaction — our commitment to feed our neighbors hasn't wavered. Thanks to you, we've been on the frontlines fighting hunger!



## Meet the increased demand — 9% more pounds than this time last year!\*

An unexpected consequence of COVID-19 was that people working in areas deemed “non-essential” lost their jobs during the crisis. Many people turned to Connecticut Food Bank for the first time ever — and were welcomed thanks to your generosity!

As of July 31

**Your kindness and generosity makes a BIG impact. Thank you!**

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