



## The Capital Area Food Bank in Greater Prince William County, VA

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### What is the Capital Area Food Bank?

The Capital Area Food Bank is the region's largest hunger relief organization and the hub for food sourcing, food distribution and nutrition education across Greater Washington. In Washington, D.C. and its six surrounding counties, there are nearly 700,000 individuals at risk of hunger; about 150,000 are children.

In FY 2014, the CAFB distributed 42 million pounds of food — more than 35 million meals — to 540,300 individuals through direct service and a network of more than 500 partner agencies. The CAFB service area includes: *Washington D.C.; Montgomery County, MD; Prince George's County, MD; Fairfax County, VA; Prince William County, VA; Arlington County, VA; and The City of Alexandria, VA.*



### Why we do the work: Hunger in Greater Prince William County

- In Prince William County, 7.9 percent of residents (32,110 individuals) struggle to get the food they need.
- In Manassas Park City, 7.5 percent of residents (1,090 individuals) lack sufficient access to healthy food.
- In Manassas City, 9.8 percent of residents (3,730 individuals) lack sufficient access to healthy food.
- Childhood hunger is even higher, at 12.2 percent in Prince William County (14,200 children), 13.4 percent in Manassas Park City (1090 children) and 18.1 percent in Manassas City (3,730 children).

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## How we do the work

*In FY 2014, the CAFB distributed 1.3 million pounds of food in greater Prince William County through Partner Agencies and Direct Food Distributions.*

Our **Partner Agencies** work on the ground to offer food from CAFB to neighbors in need; these partners include churches, food pantries, soup kitchens, emergency shelters, senior programs, daycare centers and more.



### **41** Partner Agencies in Prince William County, including:

Northern Virginia Family Services (SERVE); St. Thomas United Methodist; ACTS; Concordia Lutheran Church; Iglesia Pentecostal Trono de Jehova; Holiness Tabernacle Church of God in Christ; The Salvation Army; Haymarket Regional Food Pantry; Yeshua Church of God in Christ; House of Mercy

These **Direct Food Distribution** programs complement the offerings of our partner agencies:



### **5** Mobile Market Sites

*Serve 19,476 individuals each month*



### **1** Family Markets

*Serves 100 families each month*



### **1** Senior Brown Bag Site

*Serves 65 seniors each month*

### Spotlight on Family Markets

The Capital Area Food Bank's Family Market at West Gate Elementary opened in 2014. The goal of the CAFB's Family Markets is to help alleviate hunger through a monthly distribution of healthy and nutritious food to children and their families at school. Through the program, the CAFB provides fresh produce and non-perishable items to schools where students and families are in the greatest need; at least 50% of the student body must qualify for free or reduced school meals. The Family Market ensures dignity for participants through the client choice model, which allows clients to choose for themselves which foods they take from the pantry. Each family is allowed to "shop" for what they need and want from an array of food products.

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