HUNGER IS HERE.

In Maryland’s Montgomery County, 60,740 residents struggle to get the food they need. Of those, 47% are children.

HUNGER HURTS.

- 48 percent of households served by the food bank have a family member with high blood pressure, and 22 percent of households served by the food bank have a family member with diabetes (Feeding America, 2014).

- Compared to food secure seniors, food insecure seniors are 53 percent more likely to report a heart attack, 52 percent more likely to develop asthma, and 40 percent more likely to report an experience of congestive heart failure (Feeding America and the National Foundation to End Senior Hunger, 2013).

- Food insecure children are more likely to experience stomachaches, headaches, colds, ear infections, and fatigue. They are sick more often, recover more slowly, and are more likely to be hospitalized (Feeding America, 2014).

- 70 percent of households served by the food bank reported “purchasing inexpensive, unhealthy” food as the common coping strategy to hunger (Feeding America, 2014).

THE CAPITAL AREA FOOD BANK IS TAKING HUNGER OFF THE MAP

THE CAPITAL AREA FOOD BANK is the largest organization in the Washington metro area working to solve hunger and its companion problems, chronic undernutrition, diabetes, and obesity. By partnering over 450 community organizations in DC, MD, and VA, as well as delivering food directly into hard to reach areas of the community, the food bank is helping almost half a million residents each year get access to good, healthy food.

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HOW WE WORK.

4.4 million meals distributed in Montgomery County through Food Assistance Partners and Direct Distribution Programs in fiscal year 2018.*

FOOD ASSISTANCE PARTNERS

Our 46 Food Assistance Partners work on the ground to offer food from the CAFB to neighbors in need; these partners include faith-based organizations, food pantries, soup kitchens, emergency shelters, senior programs, and daycare centers.

FOR KIDS

WEEKEND BAGS
We provide weekly, kid-friendly bags of groceries for children to ensure they have enough to eat when not at school. In FY18, we distributed 450 meals to children at one site.

MOBILE FOOD PROGRAM
In partnership with Shoppers, we provide healthy lunches during the summer to children in hard to reach neighborhoods via a customized bus.

FOR SENIORS

SENIOR BROWN BAG
We provide income-qualified seniors with a bag of groceries each month, along with recipes and nutrition education materials. We distributed 97,000 meals in FY18, serving 650 seniors a month at 16 sites.

FOR FAMILIES

FAMILY MARKETS
We provide families with fresh fruits, vegetables and non-perishable healthy groceries each month in their children’s schools. Food is offered market-style, and parents can choose the items they want, along with recipes to put ingredients to use. We distributed 339,000 meals in FY18, serving 170 households a month at eight sites.

FOR EVERYONE

MOBILE MARKETS
We provide fruits, vegetables, bread, and more at no cost to any resident living in a high-need neighborhood, by delivering to safe, public places for pick-up. In FY18, we distributed 605,000 meals at 12 sites.

* 1 meal is equivalent to 1.2 pounds of food

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