

A Case for Support



FEEDING NORTH TEXAS
FOUNDATION

SUPPORTING THE NORTH TEXAS FOOD BANK

WE HAVE THE POWER TO END HUNGER.

In 1982, that vision shared by our founders Jo Curtis, Kathryn Walt Hall, Lorraine Griffin Kircher and Liz Minyard, launched a movement in North Texas. Our roots are grounded in that belief, that together, we possess the ability to provide our hungry neighbors with the most fundamental necessity: food. What began as rescuing and distributing surplus food, has grown into a dynamic organization encompassing multiple strategies in providing access to healthy and nutritious foods throughout a 13-county service area. In the early days, the North Texas Food Bank distributed 400,000 pounds of food annually - we're now distributing more than double that on a weekly basis. But the need for food assistance is growing. Our mission is to close the hunger gap in North Texas by providing access to nutritious food, and just as our founders envisioned more than 30 years ago, we can end hunger, but we cannot do this work alone.



In North Texas, one in four children may not know where they will get their next meal.



THE FACE OF HUNGER HAS CHANGED.

As the economic downturn led to North Texans at every income level seeking food assistance, the impact of hunger has grown. Today in North Texas, it is estimated that more than 800,000 working poor adults, as well as children and senior adults in our community often don't know where they will get their next meal. Hunger is a complex issue, and many of our neighbors are forced to make tough choices between paying rent or buying groceries, putting gas in the car to drive to work, making a utility payment, or negotiating childcare costs. Imagine deciding between putting food on the table or filling a prescription. That is a decision too many of our neighbors must make each month.

North Texas neighbors who don't live near traditional food pantries are able to access nutritious foods from the NTFB Mobile Pantry.



OUR NEIGHBORS DO NOT HAVE TO BE HUNGRY.

Our critical work at the North Texas Food Bank provided almost 72 million meals last year to our neighbors. We distribute donated and purchased foods through a Feeding Network of Partner Agencies in 13 counties. As a member of Feeding America, we support the nutritional needs of children, seniors and families through education, advocacy and strategic partnerships. Closing the hunger gap requires collaboration and community support. It requires hard work and dedication, a commitment to work together to help provide access to nutritious foods for our neighbors. A bold strategic plan is underway that included a capital campaign that will fund the effort to increase the number of meals distributed annually to 92 million by 2025. This plan also included the construction of the Perot Family Campus, our recently completed state-of-the-art 230,000 square foot distribution facility located in Plano.



Each day, NTFB and our feeding network provides access to more than 190,000 meals for hungry children, seniors and families throughout North Texas.



HUNGER DOESN'T END WHEN A CAMPAIGN CONCLUDES.

While advances have been made toward our mission to achieve a healthy, hunger-free North Texas, as long as neighbors face poverty and hardship, hunger will remain a recurrent problem. As the demand for food assistance shifts year after year, now is the time to make a strategic investment that will respond to the needs of our hungry neighbors for years to come. Through the Feeding North Texas Foundation, the Food Bank will cement our ability to provide access to nutritious food in perpetuity.



NTFB works closely with more than 200 food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters and other facilities to ensure that we get nutritious food and social services to our neighbors who need it.

INVEST IN THE FUTURE OF THE NORTH TEXAS FOOD BANK.

Each year, NTFB staff, board members and volunteers work diligently to raise the funds needed to support our critical work. Our success is ultimately dependent upon a shifting economic environment and the fluid nature of fundraising. With the development of the Feeding North Texas Foundation, the Food Bank will create an endowment fund that will provide a permanent, sustainable source of income to supplement annual dollars raised. This fund will purposefully set aside interest earnings, a dependable source of annual income that will provide perpetual support of our mission.

When you are hungry, it is difficult to focus on anything beyond finding food. Hunger starves human potential and often prevents progress.





Invest in NTFB, and invest in the next generation of North Texas.

ANNUAL EARNINGS FROM THE FEEDING NORTH TEXAS FOUNDATION COULD FUND:

1. Maintenance of our 25 truck fleet
2. Our school pantry program
3. Technology programs that keep NTFB in business
4. One million meals, utilizing our current ratio of \$1 providing three meals
5. Unexpected issues

Now is the time to join a community of donors who have pledged to support the Feeding North Texas Foundation. Through a legacy gift, a planned gift or a one-time direct contribution, your financial support solidifies our commitment to our hungry neighbors today, and forever. No one wants to foresee a future with hunger, but at NTFB, we are securing our future ability to help and feed our neighbors, regardless of what the future may hold. Our neighbors do not have to be hungry, and with your support, we will solidify our impact in North Texas, and secure our role as an organization our neighbors can turn to when hardship and hunger happen.

FEEDING NORTH TEXAS FOUNDATION: A PROMISE TO FEED OUR HUNGRY NEIGHBORS FOREVER.

An endowment fund is a collection of permanently invested monetary gifts, and because the principal is never touched, these gifts will continue to grow and provide income to fund NTFB well into the future. Your gift will empower our work for generations, ensuring our neighbors will have access to food assistance when they need it most. When you donate to this fund, you are investing in a legacy of nourishing our hungry neighbors for years to come.

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