Disaster Relief

Food Bank of Iowa is responsible for disaster relief in the 55 counties we serve. In the event of a disaster that calls for food aid, we will do all that we can to supply affected communities until their recovery is complete. We also coordinate, support, and collaborate with the other 7 food banks that serve the state of Iowa in times of disaster.

Through the Feeding America network, we are connected to 200 food banks throughout the nation, each of which shares responsibilities for major disasters. In the case of a major disaster, food banks in this network may be called upon to resupply food banks in the affected areas, or even to supply trucks, equipment, and staff. These efforts are coordinated by Feeding America's national office.

Food insecurity is an everyday disaster for those struggling with hunger, so we ensure that we are always well stocked with the food so that our neighbors in need can lead full and active lives.

Spring 2019 Flooding

As of March 22, 2019, 52 of Iowa's 99 counties are under state-level disaster declarations. Twenty eight of these counties lie within Food Bank of Iowa's service area. Food Bank of Iowa is serving partner agencies in each of these 28 counties (along with agencies in the 27 unaffected counties), as well as supporting neighboring food banks who are more severely affected. As with our everyday distributions, the goal is to ensure that every Iowan has the food they need, no matter their circumstances.

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