What We Do

Individual Donations  
Food Drives  
Retail Donations  
USDA Commodity Foods  
Field to Food Bank Programs  
Other Sources

What do we do? We gather and distribute nutritious food. We build partnerships with community organizations. We tell the story of food insecurity.

We've built a system that provides vital food to pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, schools, and others. We strive each day to ensure that no child, senior, or family in Iowa has to struggle to find food.

What do we do? We fight hunger.

We acquire food from individual food donors, food drives, retail stores, food producers, wholesalers, the USDA (through The Emergency Food Assistance Program), and our Field to Food Bank Initiatives. We also purchase food with money donated to us by individual donors and foundations. Our food needs are high — 1 million pounds of food flows through our warehouse each month — so we have a dedicated team focused on getting the right quantities.

We distribute food through our network of over 500 partner agencies — food pantries, soup kitchens, schools, and others — and through four programs designed to serve lowans in need directly. Our team of dedicated professionals, spearheaded by our Regional Partnership Coordinators, distribute the equivalent of 10 million meals per year.

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