Second Harvest Heartland’s mission: End Hunger Through Community Partnerships
2016 Impact

Distributed more than 80 million meals!

55% of the food we distributed was fresh!

Recruited 28,832 volunteers who donated over 132,333 volunteer hours!
WHO WE SERVE

- **468,000** people served in **59** counties
- **1,000** non-profit member agencies and programs
Minnesota

2013 Food Insecurity & Food Cost in the US

State Food Insecurity Rate

Food Insecure People: 572,760

10.6% of State Population

Estimated Program Eligibility Among Food Insecure People

- Above Other Nutrition Program threshold of 185% poverty: 35%
- Between 165%-185% poverty: 6%
- Below SNAP threshold 165% poverty: 59%

15.8% National Food Insecurity Rate

Average cost of a meal

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Individuals in Ramsey County were missing **11.7 million meals**. Second Harvest Heartland has delivered **5.8 million meals**, or 40% of need through our partnerships. **There’s more work to do.**

- Feeding America’s “Mapping the Meal Gap” (2014)
**Opportunities**

US EPA Food Waste Hierarchy

- **Source Reduction**
  Reduce the volume of food waste generated

- **Feed Hungry People**
  Donate extra food to food banks, soup kitchens and shelters

- **Feed Animals**
  Divert food scraps to animal feed

- **Industrial Uses**
  Provide waste oils for rendering and fuel conversion; and food scraps for digestion to recover energy

- **Composting**
  Create a nutrient-rich soil amendment

- **Landfill/Incineration**
  Last resort for disposal

**Food Waste Disposal**

The portion of food waste that is sent to landfill or incineration

**SHH, Feeding America network member is the primary avenue for using food waste to feed people**

FA and SHH want to ensure that food fit for human consumption goes to people and not animals or compost. Both of which cost businesses money.
Retail Food Rescue - Sources

Millions of pounds of food go unused each year in Minnesota.

Second Harvest Heartland’s RETAIL FOOD RESCUE PROGRAM offers an innovative solution:

Partner with retail grocers in our communities to divert food being removed from their store shelves to feed hungry people.
**SHH Product Mix**

- Food Rescue provided > 35% of SHH’s total volume in 2016, **34M pounds**
  - SHH only source of donated meat products
  - Provide balanced meals, ingredients for all cuisines

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*Second Harvest Heartland Food Sources (2016)*
Getting the Food to Our Hungry Neighbors

FOOD SOURCES/DONORS
Manufacturers and distributors, grocery and convenience stores, local farmers and growers, government programs, food drives, and cash from individuals and organizations.

RETAIL FOOD RESCUE PARTNERS
In some cases, Second Harvest Heartland facilitates relationships with grocery retailers to get food directly to a local agency partner program in an effort to increase efficiency and strengthen community partnerships.

SECOND HARVEST HEARTLAND
Distributes more than 15 million meals annually, assuring food safety from storage through distribution. Also, engages an army of caring volunteers to efficiently acquire, sort and distribute food.

AGENCY PARTNER PROGRAMS
Local food pantries and food shelves, soup kitchens, shelters, meal programs, after-school programs, summer meal programs, senior centers and soup kitchens.

CLIENTS
Families, children, students and older adults, living in suburban, urban and rural areas.
Getting the Food to Our Hungry Neighbors

485 Retail Partners including grocery retail and convenience stores

Collected 34 MILLION Pounds up from 24 MILLION in 2012

The percent of donated pounds picked up directly by agency partners
Ramsey County Donations

Pounds Received

- 0-67K
- 134K-202K
- 269K-336K
- 336K-403K
- 403K-470K
- 470K-538K
3,575,460 million pounds
Ramsey County Opportunity

+ 1 million pounds!
Food to Families!

Food Rescue Pounds Breakdown

- Produce: 45%
- Dry Grocery: 18%
- Bakery: 14%
- Dairy: 9%
- Deli: 3%
- Meat: 11%

Source: 2015 annual data
Thank you!