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Annual Report FY 2016/2017

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Year	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Number of people served	1,234,567	1,123,456	1,012,345	901,234	890,123	789,012
Number of people served by gender						
Male	600,000	550,000	500,000	450,000	400,000	350,000
Female	634,567	573,456	512,345	451,234	490,123	439,012
Number of people served by ethnicity						
Hispanic/Latino	400,000	380,000	360,000	340,000	320,000	300,000
Black/African American	200,000	190,000	180,000	170,000	160,000	150,000
White	300,000	280,000	260,000	240,000	230,000	220,000
Other	334,567	313,456	292,345	271,234	250,123	229,012

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“Hunger reaches through all backgrounds, classes and circumstances. It casts a really wide net. I used to have certain perceptions of what someone who needs help is like. Now I know and completely feel a hundred percent what it’s like to walk in the door and ask for help.”

*- Client from Help Yourself,
Jennifer*

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MESSAGE OF HOPE

LETTER FROM UNITED FOOD BANK CEO & PRESIDENT

Dear Friends,

As my first fiscal year as CEO & President comes to an end, my heart is filled with gratitude and hope for the future. In 2017, we accomplished so much with the support of the local community, donors, volunteers and partner agencies. Last year alone, we provided 61,000 meals daily to the 1.4 million people that visited a United Food Bank agency for food assistance.

Our mission is simple, *feed hungry people in Arizona*. Because of your generous love and care for the food bank, we remain a driving force in fighting hunger statewide. Arizona ranks 10th in the nation for food insecurity where 1 in 4 kids and 1 in 7 seniors are at risk for hunger. Our work and services to shorten the lines and provide hope is made possible because of the generosity and support from the community.

As we go into the next fiscal year, we are excited to celebrate 35 years of feeding Arizona. We never said eliminating hunger would be easy, but it will be worth it and we will need your continued support. 97 percent of total charitable contributions and other revenues go directly to our programs. This means with every dollar donated, we are able to provide the equivalent of five nutritious meals to those in need. I ask that you join our 35th Anniversary giving circle. 35 cents a day is a total of \$10.50 a month that is equivalent to 630 meals annually. Or give \$35 a month which will provide 2,100 healthy meals to those in need.

We appreciate your support because together, **We Feed AZ.**



Dave Richins
CEO & President

FIGHTING HUNGER

In 2017, nearly 1.4 million people were served through our partner agency network and food bank programs.



MISSION

Our mission is to stabilize the lives of hungry, low-income people within Eastern Maricopa, Gila and Pinal, and Southern Navajo and Apache Counties of Arizona by actively acquiring, storing and distributing large quantities of wholesome and nutritious foods to our network of community and strategic partners, combined with advocacy and educational initiatives that enhance lives.

WHERE WE SERVE

Our service area of 19,608 square miles includes some of the most remote areas in the state. Places like Sanders, Arizona, where there are only a couple places to purchase food, and the next town is 40 miles away.

We serve five counties in the East Valley and Eastern Arizona: Eastern Maricopa, Gila, Pinal, Southern Navajo and Southern Apache.



We work with more than

200

partner agencies



LAYLA

Layla lives in Sanders, Arizona – tiny town on the I-40. She participates in the Backpack Program. Layla’s mother tells us that every week when she gets her backpack full of food, it’s as if she were opening a Christmas present. Layla goes into a corner of her house and sits down to open her backpack to see what she is getting for the weekend. Her mother allows her to choose one snack to eat right there, and the family then plans out the rest of their meals with the remainder of the food inside the backpack. Her mother describes it as a moment of joy for Layla.



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PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Emergency and Supplemental Food Assistance Program

United Food Bank provides emergency food boxes through the Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP), a federal program that supplements the diets of low-income individuals and families. Food boxes are available from our partner agencies in the East Valley and Eastern Arizona.

Mobile Pantries

A mobile pantry is a method of direct client distribution in a single, organized delivery, managed either by United Food Bank or by partner agency staff that utilizes a dry / refrigerated truck to provide food in areas where a traditional pantry may not exist. The mobile pantry program often strives to meet the needs of hungry clients in rural areas and increase access to emergency food to people in need.

Meal Sites

In addition to pantries, United Food Bank provides bulk food to a network of community organizations who serve meals at community soup kitchens, residential facilities and senior programs.



Helping Hands

This program is designed as an emergency food resource for “First” and “Second” responders including police, firefighters, social and outreach workers, protective services case managers and others who respond to emergency/crisis situations, and encounter a family or household without food or food resources. A Helping Hands food box contains enough food to provide for recipients for three days.

1 in 5  **people in Arizona are at risk for hunger**

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Kids Café

United Food Bank currently collaborates with 19 after-school programs throughout the East Valley and Eastern Arizona to provide at-risk children with free nutritious meals and snacks. Program sites are Title 1 locations where children congregate, such as Boys and Girls Clubs or public schools. In addition to providing meals to hungry kids, all Kids Café programs also offer a safe place, where under the supervision of trustworthy staff, a child can get involved in educational, recreational and social activities that draw on existing community programs and often include family members.

Backpack Program

There are more than 400,000 children in Arizona who rely on resources such as free or reduced-priced school lunch during the school year. The Backpack Program is designed to meet the needs of hungry children at times when other resources are not available, such as weekends and school vacations. Last fiscal year, the program provided more than 31,100 backpacks across 10 sites to hungry children.

Help Yourself Co-op

Help Yourself is a weekly food purchase cooperative for those in our communities on fixed incomes and limited resources. Held on most Fridays from 8 a.m. to noon, the co-op program allows clients to purchase 10 pounds of fresh meats, 8 pounds of produce and 3 pounds of dry goods for \$20. As available, Help Yourself clients can also make selections from a variety of complimentary items like breads and pastries, dairy and deli products.



COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Volunteers **1,762**

Hours of Service **26,769**



After school meals
and snacks

257,123

Food Drives **1,074**

Pounds Donated **1,198,466**



FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Revenue

Total Revenue for Operations and Capital...\$42,261,980

Expenses

Programs.....\$41,335,482

Fundraising.....\$666,358

General and Administration.....\$657,976

Total Expenses.....\$42,659,816

Change in Net Assets.....\$-214,000

Net Assets End of Year.....\$4,957,825



**EVERY \$1
PROVIDES FOOD
FOR 5 MEALS**

Rachel is a single parent to four kids. She's been a substitute teacher for the past 10 years, a job that has worked well in meeting her children's schedules, but has not provided her with consistent shifts, and struggling to make ends meet. "I really appreciated that the people at the Pantry are very professional. The food box makes a big difference because we often run out of food stamps by the last week of the month. They are helping me get through this period and I am grateful for the helping hand."



WAYS TO GIVE

We are able to help those in need and achieve our mission because of supporters like you.

HELP US FIGHT HUNGER AND FEED AZ

Donations

Donations can be made at:

give.unitedfoodbank.org

or send your check to:

United Food Bank
245 S. Nina Dr.
Mesa, Arizona 85210

Become a Monthly Donor

Join hundreds of your neighbors in supporting United Food Bank as a monthly donor. With as little as .35¢ a day (\$10.50 a month) you can provide 52 meals a month to hungry children and families in our community who struggle to put food on the table.

Corporate Sponsorship

Our Corporate Partners play an active role in the fight to end hunger in Arizona. Every \$1 donated to United Food Bank provides 5 meals for hungry people. The best way to end hunger in Arizona is by working together!

Make a Contribution in Honor or in Memory of a Special Person

Honor the memory of a loved one or celebrate the accomplishments of a friend of a family member by making a tribute gift.

Volunteer

Volunteers help make United Food Bank's mission of Arizona communities where no one has to go hungry within reach.

AZ Charitable Tax Credit

Arizona has a dollar-for-dollar tax credit which means for every dollar you donate to United Food Bank, you receive a tax credit toward your Arizona state income tax liability, so donations don't cost you a penny.

97¢ of every \$1 raised goes directly into food and programs.



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MARIA AND RICARDO

Maria suffered a massive stroke brought on by a blood clot. She spent several weeks in the hospital. Even though Maria had health insurance, her deductible was very high. Maria's stroke left her unable to speak, walk or recognize her loved ones. She would need extensive therapy and modifications to the home she shares with her husband and two children.

Her husband, Ricardo, turned to a United Food Bank agency for help. "I feel richly blessed – they have given us food so we will not go hungry during this difficult time."



HUNGER TO HOPE

The following corporate donors, foundations and government supporters provided funding in excess of \$2,500

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City of Mesa	Season for Sharing (AZ Republic)
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Intel	Tyrann Mathieu Foundation, Inc.
Lerner and Rowe Gives Back	USAA
Love Abounds Foundation	Valley of the Sun United Way
Mesa United Way	Walmart Foundation

A woman with dark hair tied back, wearing a red hoodie and a patterned top, is looking down at a bunch of green peppers she is holding in her hands. She is standing in a food bank, with several cardboard boxes filled with produce in the foreground and shelves of supplies in the background. The lighting is bright and even.

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