



# BRAZOS VALLEY foodbank



**62,184**  
Unique Individuals Served

**6,395,387**  
Total Pounds Distributed

**ANNUAL REPORT: July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023**



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## Letter from the Director

The Brazos Valley Food Bank (BVFB) Board of Directors and staff are proud to provide our 2022-2023 Annual Report to you.

2022-2023 was filled with many highs - capacity building for several of our Agency Partners, near record pounds of food distributed, and high levels of fresh produce and nutritious food reaching neighbors in need through Agency Partners and BVFB programs.

But, there were other “highs” that are worrisome: inflation, food and housing prices, and the heartbreaking number of neighbors needing help, totals higher than during the COVID19 pandemic. Another record high was the amount of food BVFB purchased to keep up with demand.

Please take a moment to read other highlights from the remarkable work of our Agency Partners, special programs, staff, Board and volunteers - all made possible by you, our supporters. Each smiling face you see in this report is a real person from the Brazos Valley that has benefiting from or helped in our important work.

If you have questions, please reach out to me ([tmangapora@bvfb.org](mailto:tmangapora@bvfb.org)). I am always happy to talk about BVFB and how everyone has a role to play in ending hunger.



**THERESA MANGAPORA, MSW  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

**How we use our resources**

Program Services*	95.7%
Fundraising	2.7%
Administrative	1.6%

\*Food Distribution, Client Assistance, Disaster Relief

**Where Our Food Goes**

Agency Partners	65%
BVFB Programs	35%

**Where Our Food Comes From**

Donations	48%
Government (USDA)	27%
Purchased	18%
Reclamation	7%

**Where Our Funding Comes From**

Individual Contributions	57%
Government	26%
Grants/Trusts	7%
Shared Maintenance	10%



**VISION STATEMENT**

OUR VISION IS A HUNGER-FREE BRAZOS VALLEY.

**MISSION STATEMENT**

THE BRAZOS VALLEY FOOD BANK UNITES OUR COMMUNITY TO NOURISH OUR NEIGHBORS IN NEED.

**BRAZOS - BURLESON - GRIMES - MADISON  
WASHINGTON - ROBERTSON**

**1 in 7**

households in the Brazos Valley experience food insecurity

**1 in 5**

households with children in the Brazos Valley experience food insecurity

**3,958**

square miles covered in our 6 county service area

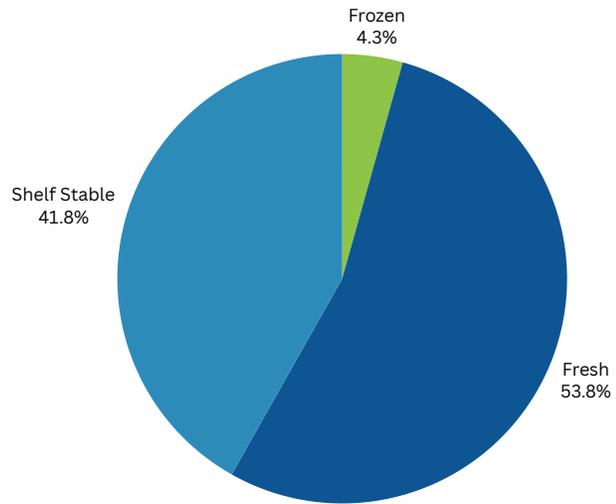




# 6,067,096

pounds of food **received** through individual donations, food drives, retail partners, Houston Food Bank, government grants & purchasing

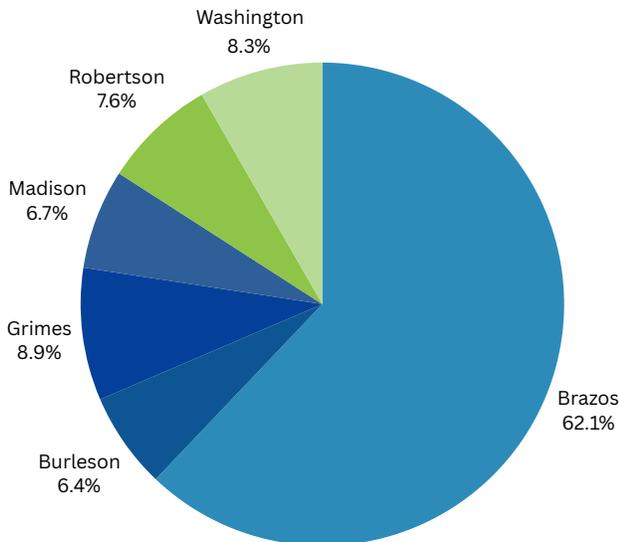
Food Received by Type



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pounds of food **distributed** through BVFB Agency Partners & Programs

Pounds Distributed by County



# 2,220,483

Fresh Produce Pounds Distributed

# 4,684,583

Nutritious Pounds Distributed



2,519

Unique individuals  
volunteered time and  
talent, culminating in

13,161

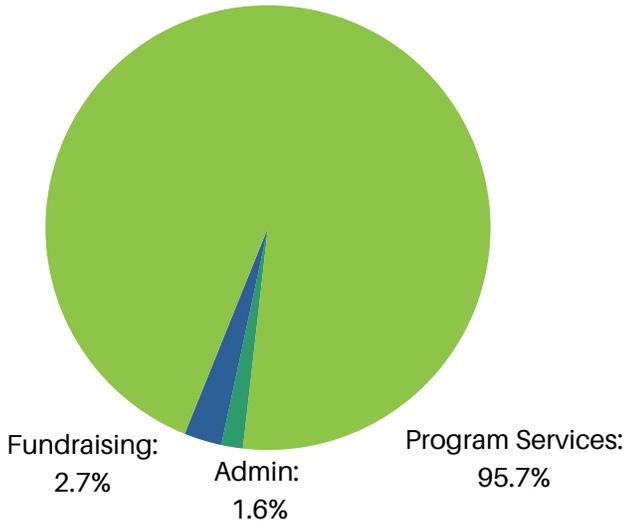
Volunteer hours that  
resulted in

- 54,406 BackPacks
- 14,936 Senior Bags
- 9,364 Project GotEM Boxes
- 461 Screen & Intervene boxes
- 696,029 pounds of food sorted for Agency Partners
- 1,681 hours Warehouse Work
- 63 hours Gardening



**FOR EVERY \$1 GIFTED TO BVFB,**  
**96 CENTS GOES DIRECTLY TO SERVING THE HUNGRY**

**BVFB Expenses**



**Income**

Donated food/Services	\$9,926,444
Contributions	\$2,858,431
Shared Maintenance *	\$517,254
Government grants/contracts	\$1,315,115
All other sources	\$339,629
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$14,474,170</b>

**Expenses**

Program Services	\$14,126,539
Mgmt & General	\$231,755
Fundraising	\$404,268

**TOTAL EXPENSES** **\$14,762,562**

**Ending Net Assets: \$288,392**

\*Shared Maintenance is a handling fee paid to Food Banks by Agency Partners across the country in return for services provided. This practice and appropriate fees are regulated by Feeding America. BVFB's rate is \$0.19/lb., with perishable and other items being free.

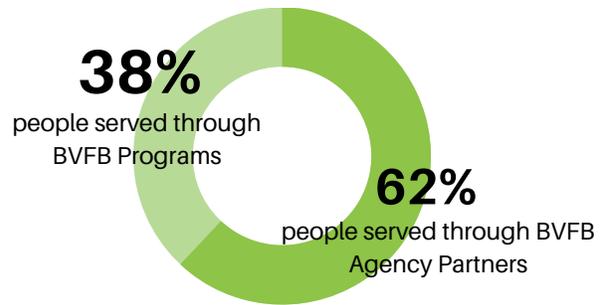
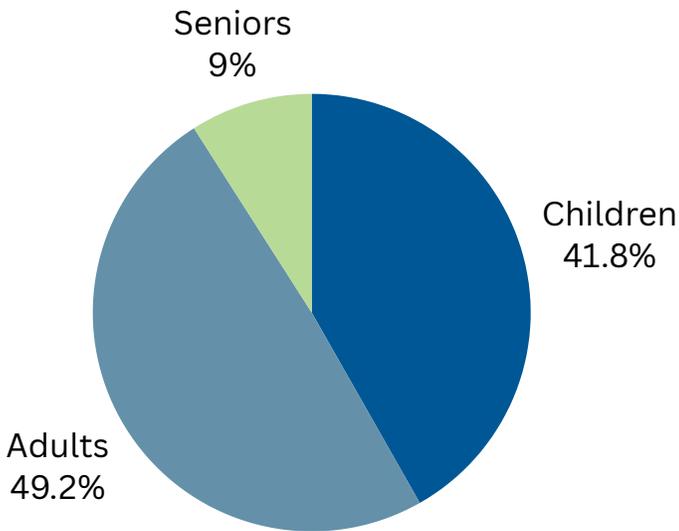
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## individuals, children, families & seniors served

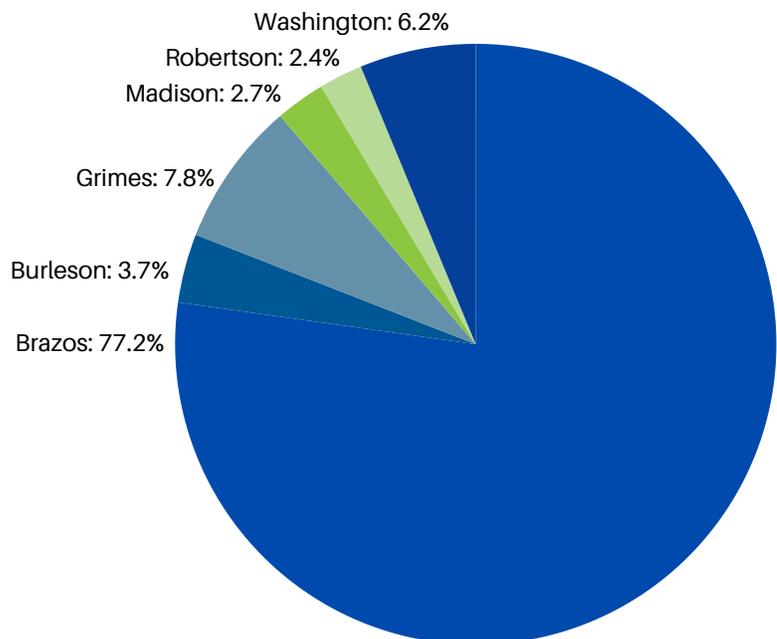
through BVFB Agency Partners & Programs in Brazos, Burleson, Grimes, Madison, Robertson & Washington counties.



### Neighbors fed by Age



### Neighbors fed by County



36

Agency Partners  
received food from BVFB to feed

38,569  
unique individuals  
& distribute

4,071,575  
pounds of food  
across six counties

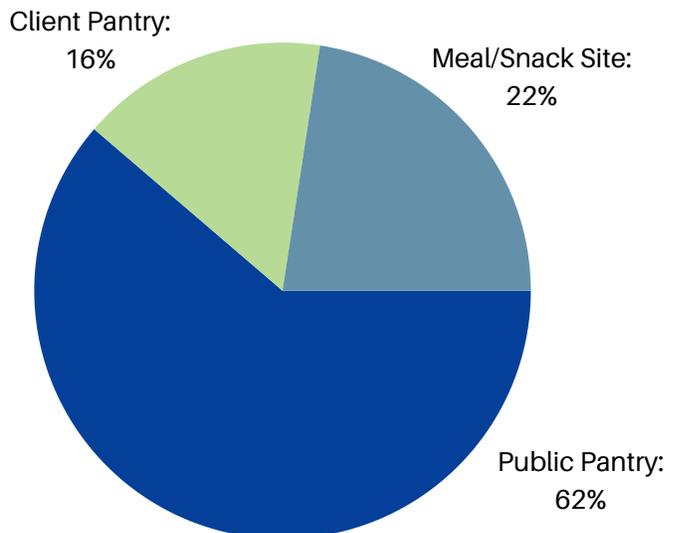


BVFB Agency Partners by Type

Public Pantry: Distributes food to all food insecure individuals in the communities they serve

Client Pantry: Distributes food to individuals participating in their programs/services

Meal/Snack Site: Provides prepared meals/snacks to individuals at the Agency's location



# Solving Hunger Today

Client facing programs delivered by BVFB in partnership with schools, healthcare providers, senior programs and others.



## BACKPACK PROGRAM

Provided **2,074 children** with **54,406 BackPacks** through **41 partner schools**.

*Bags filled with ready-to-eat food provided to elementary aged students through their schools for the weekend when hunger may be heightened.*

## SCHOOL-BASED FOOD PANTRIES

Provided **5,292 individuals** with **25,843 pounds of food** at **15 partner sites**.

*On-campus school food pantries accessible to middle, intermediate and high school students, their families and school personnel at risk of hunger.*

## SCREEN & INTERVENE

Provided **738 food insecure patients** with **13,550 pounds** of shelf-stable and **759 pounds** of perishable food through **6 health care partnerships**.

*Empowers healthcare providers in identifying food-insecure individuals and families in their practice and connecting them to food resources in their community.*

## PROJECT GOTEM

Provided **942 individuals** with **361,406 pounds** of food **delivered in 9,364 boxes**.

*Home delivery of nutritious, shelf-stable food and produce to those impacted by the pandemic in B/CS.*

## SENIOR OUTREACH PROGRAM

Provided **738 seniors** with **14,936 food bags** through **11 Senior/Home Delivered Meals partners**.

*Supplemental bags filled with easy-to-prepare food items for low-income seniors.*

## MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

Provided **8,886 individuals** with **984,431 pounds of food** distributed through **48 Mobile Pantries** held in **5 locations** (Brazos, Grimes, Madison and Washington).  
*Temporary food pantries set up in underserved areas of the Brazos Valley on a set schedule each month.*

## FRESH FOOD DROPS

Provided **4,539 individuals** with **559,483 pounds of food** distributed through **292 Fresh Food Drops** held in **10 locations** (Brazos, Grimes, Robertson, and Washington).  
*Fresh produce pantries provide supplemental perishable goods like produce & bakery items.*

# Ending Hunger Tomorrow

Client facing programs that BVFB operates targeting the root causes of hunger - focusing on education, resource acquisition and skills building.

## NUTRITION EDUCATION

**1,552** unique individuals served through **124** nutrition education classes distributing **400** pounds of produce

*Free classes taught to low-income individuals by partnering with community organizations.*



## BENEFITS ASSISTANCE & REFERRAL PARTNER PROGRAM

**203** Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) applications submitted, **253** health coverage applications submitted and **110** referrals to **37 partners** offering community resources.

*BVFB staff dedicated to connecting neighbors in need to community resources.*

## TOGETHER WE GROW

**5** participants across **3 cohorts** exhibiting a **380% increase** in net income and **30% increase** in food security while producing **529 pounds** of produce grown in our on-site garden.

*Five week program aimed at helping eligible participants earn job readiness skills including leadership, stress management, time management, and financial skills.*



**BRAZOS** 47,790 3,940,556 lbs

- 17 Agency Partners
- 24 Elementary Schools in the Backpack Program
- 11 Middle/High Schools in the School Based Food Pantry Program
- 5 Partners with Senior Outreach Program
- 5 Healthcare Clinic Partners with Screen & Intervene
- 14 Nutrition Education Class Sites
- 1 Mobile Pantry
- 8 Fresh Produce Drops
- 1 Home Delivery Service
- 1 Workforce Readiness Program
- 3 Community Resource Partners

**BURLESON** 2,295 439,753 lbs

- 3 Agency Partners
- 3 Elementary Schools in the Backpack Program
- 2 Middle/High Schools in the School Based Food Pantry Program
- 1 Partner with Senior Outreach Program
- 3 Nutrition Education Class Sites
- 2 Community Resource Sites

**GRIMES** 4,822 637,684 lbs

- 4 Agency Partners
- 5 Elementary Schools in the Backpack Program
- 1 Partner with Senior Outreach Program
- 1 Nutrition Education Class Site
- 1 Mobile Pantry
- 2 Fresh Produce Drops
- 1 Community Resource Site

**MADISON** 1,656 406,520 lbs

- 2 Agency Partners
- 3 Elementary Schools in the Backpack Program
- 1 Partner with Senior Outreach Program
- 1 Nutrition Education Class Site
- 1 Mobile Pantry
- 2 Community Resource Sites

**ROBERTSON** 1,455 451,657 lbs

- 3 Agency Partners
- 3 Elementary Schools in the Backpack Program
- 1 Middle/High School in the School Based Food Pantry Program
- 2 Partners with Senior Outreach Program
- 1 Nutrition Education Class Site
- 1 Community Resource Site

**WASHINGTON** 3,863 516,660 lbs

- 5 Agency Partners
- 3 Elementary Schools in the Backpack Program
- 1 Middle/High School in the School Based Food Pantry Program
- 2 Partners with Senior Outreach Program
- 3 Nutrition Education Class Sites
- 1 Mobile Pantry
- 1 Community Resource Site

# Building Capacity of BVFB & Agency Partners

## TDA - ARPA FUNDS

In the fall of 2021, BVFB was awarded a transformational multi-year Food Bank Capacity Grant of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds through the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA).

Along with awarding **5 Agency Partners** with funds to improve their facilities and **4 Agency Partners** with walk-in coolers, BVFB entered into contract with PACT Design Studio to design and oversee the renovation of BVFB’s administrative space, as well as add a **second** Walk-In Cooler for produce storage.



Wheelchair Ramp - Progressive Missionary Baptist Church



Walk In Cooler - In God’s Hands



Volunteer Gallery



Reception Area



Second Floor Offices

## TEFAP - REACH & RESILIENCY FUNDS

In the fall of 2022, BVFB was awarded funds through United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)’s The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP), called Reach & Resiliency to increase the administrative capacity and marketing reach of Agency Partners identified in high-risk areas of the Brazos Valley (Brazos, Burlson and Robertson counties).

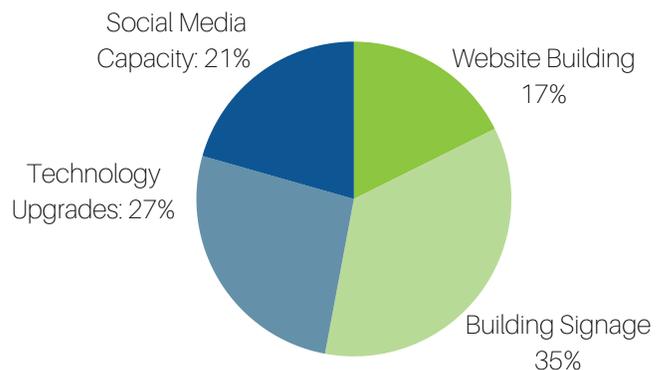
### Participating Agency Partners

Brazos: Brazos Church Pantry, Salvation Army, The Bridge Ministries, Lee Chapel UMC, First Baptist Church CS, Lincoln House of Hope, New Zion Food Pantry

Burlson: Bread Partners, Caldwell Christians Care, In God’s Hands Ministries

Robertson: Call For Help, Progressive Missionary Baptist Robertson County Cares

### Funding Distribution by Category



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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## STAFF

Theresa Mangapora, MSW - Executive Director

### PROGRAMS

Shannon Avila - Programs Director  
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 Robert Martin - Agency Relations Manager  
 Kathryn Clanton - Nutrition Education Coordinator  
 Melissa Roy - Benefits Assistance Coordinator  
 Luciana Ponce - Nutrition Educator  
 Amelia Ichode - Program Specialist  
 Shae Brunette - Individual Development Specialist  
 Jenny Serrato - Referral Specialist  
 Ashley Patridge - Agency Relations/Mobile Pantry Assistant

### OPERATIONS

Ebony Knight - Operations Director  
 Destiny Lavador - Food & Friends Manager  
 Tyler Foley - Distribution Manager  
 Denise Lambert - Inventory & Facilities Manager  
 Roy Ellis - Assembly Coordinator  
 Victor Turner - Warehouse Forklift Driver  
 Elijah Adams - Driver  
 Tyra Moore - Driver  
 James Brewster - Driver  
 Marquis Pratt - Driver  
 Reggie Tennell - Driver  
 MySong Gear - Administrative Greeter

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