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Brazos Valley Food Bank Unveils New Strategic Framework Emphasizing Food Access & Underlying Conditions

BRYAN, Texas (July 2026) The Brazos Valley Food Bank (BVFB) today announced the launch of its new three- to five-year strategic framework, a community-informed roadmap designed to expand food access while addressing the underlying conditions that contribute to hunger across the Brazos Valley.

Developed through an inclusive and collaborative process, the framework reflects input from board members, staff, partners, donors, volunteers, and neighbors experiencing food insecurity. Through surveys, interviews, focus groups, and planning sessions, BVFB ensured the strategy is both responsive to community needs and positioned for long-term impact.

BVFB's work and its new framework are grounded in the values of Adaptability, Belonging, Boldness, Empathy, Integrity, Partnership, and Radical Hospitality, as well as the foundations of partners and volunteers, technology and data, community voice, advocacy, and organizational excellence.

New Strategic Framework Guiding Direction

- **Vision:** A More Resilient Brazos Valley Where Nutritious Food and Opportunity are Attainable by All
- **Mission:** Cultivate an environment where our community can grow, contribute and thrive together

Strategic Pillars for Impact

The framework is organized around four integrated strategic pillars that guide the organization's work:

- **Food Access for All** — Ensure access to nutritious foods across BVFB's entire service area, delivered in welcoming and intentional ways
- **Transform Foundational Conditions** — Engage neighbors and partners holistically to collaborate for change that expands opportunities for all
- **Mobilize the Community** — Transform community awareness and relationships into meaningful action that expands BVFB's reach and resources
- **Catalyze Health** — Embed health and well-being across BVFB's culture, programs, and partnerships to support a healthier community.

Aligned for Greater Impact

BVFB's strategic framework aligns with the priorities of Feeding Texas and Feeding America, ensuring local efforts contribute to broader statewide and national strategies to end hunger. This alignment strengthens collaboration, maximizes resources, and amplifies impact.

"This framework represents our community's shared vision for a stronger, healthier Brazos Valley," said Theresa Mangapora, Executive Director of BVFB. "It reinforces that our work is not just about food—it's about people. We are committed to serving our neighbors holistically and addressing the causes that impact health, stability, and opportunity."

For more information, visit www.bvfb.org.

About Brazos Valley Food Bank (BVFB)

With a core purpose of cultivating an environment where our community can grow, contribute, and thrive together, the Brazos Valley Food Bank (BVFB) is a 501(c)(3) regional food bank serving the Brazos Valley—including Brazos, Burleson, Grimes, Madison, Robertson, and Washington counties in Texas. Guided by its strategic pillars—Food Access for All, Catalyze Health, Transform Foundational Conditions, and Mobilize the Community—BVFB works to build a more resilient Brazos Valley where nutritious food and opportunity are attainable by all. BVFB is an Affiliate Food Bank of the Houston Food Bank, a member of Feeding Texas, and part of the Feeding America network. The organization has maintained a longstanding 4-star rating from Charity Navigator and holds a Platinum Seal of Transparency from Candid. From July 1, 2024–June 30, 2025, BVFB distributed more than 7.7 million pounds of food and, through its network of agency partners and direct service programs, reached 74,185 unique individuals with food assistance and/or education.

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VALUES

- Adaptability
- Belonging
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- Radical Hospitality

GOAL: Our Community is Mobilized to End Hunger in the Brazos Valley



POWERED BY OUR FOUNDATIONS



TECH & DATA



ADVOCACY



COMMUNITY VOICE



ORG EXCELLENCE



PARTNERS & VOLUNTEERS