FACTS ABOUT HUNGER + OUR WORK

1 in 4 Residents in Monterey County is hungry

We are the largest, most comprehensive provider of emergency supplemental food in Monterey County, where 34% of residents and 66% of farmworkers are food insecure.

1 in 3 Children in Monterey County is hungry

Monterey County ranks among the highest in all 58 California counties in child poverty, childhood homelessness, and incidence of Type 2 diabetes. Monterey County also has more homeless students than San Francisco & San Jose combined.

400% Increase in food demand since the pandemic began

Demand for food has quadrupled since the Covid-19 pandemic began. We are serving roughly 60,000 families & 240,00 individuals monthly. To safely accommodate the need, we set up dozens of countywide, drive-thru distribution sites. Given uncertain economic and public health forecasts, we anticipate this high level of demand will continue through 2021.

160 Local Nonprofit Partners rely on us for food

We are the sole source of food + fresh produce supporting a network of nonprofits serving children, seniors, veterans, the homeless and other vulnerable communities. We operate over 240 distribution sites and stock the emergency pantries & meal programs that feed more 10,000 people each week.

>5 Million pounds of produce is rescued yearly

Our AIB certified facility is a ‘distribution & education’ center with cold-storage capabilities and a growing fleet of trucks. This allows us to work with local Ag companies & grocers to safely store and distribute nutritious, fresh produce that would otherwise end up in a landfill rather than helping people in need.

95% of all donations go to our food assistance programs

We are a 501 c3 nonprofit, not a government organization. Your donations empower us to distribute $5 worth of meals for every dollar donated. 100% of your gift stays local. Please make a donation at: www.foodbankformontereycounty.org