

The Feeding Frontline

Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Report
lincolnfoodbank.org



Wham Bam Meal in a Pan *Serves Comfort and Hope*



Motivated by the quest for food that tastes good, Aaron Young started cooking for his family at the age of 5. Neither of his parents had strong culinary chops, he explains recalling instances of rubbery burned dinners, so they encouraged him to channel his mealtime complaints into action.

**"I never really thought of it as a career," Aaron said.
"I just loved to cook."**

Pair this passion with an inherent entrepreneurial spirit and it's no surprise Aaron landed in culinary school and later launched his catering business, ChefaChef, in Lincoln.

"We do the basics extremely well. That's where I really pride myself," Aaron says. "We take simple ingredients like potatoes, vegetables, chicken, and just do the best we can. Keeping it basic, affordable, delicious."

So delicious, in fact, that ChefaChef's Tomato, Basil and Feta soup was voted "Best Soup" at the Food Bank's Empty Bowls luncheon in 2017. It was this same event that inspired Aaron to help alleviate hunger as much as he could.

"I saw the community come together—people from all different backgrounds, political parties—coming in and being part of a community that saw this hunger issue ... I wanted to help out more."

About a year later, Aaron's Wham Bam Meal in a Pan came to fruition, which provides fully prepared, homemade meals in family-friendly portions. For each Wham Bam sold, Aaron donates \$1 to the Food Bank of Lincoln. Over the course of nearly five years, support from Wham Bam Meal in a Pan has made more than 135,000 meals possible for neighbors facing hunger in Southeast Nebraska.

"It already makes me want to do more," Aaron said in response to that number. "There's so much more to be done ... There's so much uncertainty right now, but one thing for certain is we just have to come together as a community."

**For ordering and more information, visit
www.whambammealinapan.com.**



Mission

To alleviate hunger in
Southeast Nebraska.

Vision

Nourishing our
communities to end hunger.

Values

Collaboration,
Compassion, Diversity,
Education, Responsibility

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A Letter from The President & CEO



"You'll never know how much this means. Bless you."

"I'm trying my best to take care of my kids."

"The fresh vegetables I receive from you are part of my health care plan."

"When you come to my small town each month to distribute food, I sigh with relief. It's the only way I can afford insurance and medicine."

These comments from our neighbors remind us that feeding will always be personal. Technology and equipment can increase efficiency. Data offers insights. Strategic plans offer clarity. All are important to sound operations, but none of them supersede our ability to empathize.

We have fewer resources than we've had in the past few years to serve a growing number of neighbors. It's true here and across the Feeding America network. Many pandemic-relief programs concluded as inflation began to rise.

We see the numbers of children attending School Food Markets and neighbors in lines at mobile food distributions and partner pantries increasing. For many of our neighbors, asking for help can be hard.

What is not as difficult is caring for one another. We can treat one another with dignity, respect and compassion. There is no metric we can assign to decency, but when it's absent from the equation, we all suffer consequences.

Yet, the collective compassion we have felt helps us continue to meet our neighbors' needs. We keep pushing to find ways to overcome barriers that stand between our neighbors and the services they need to thrive.

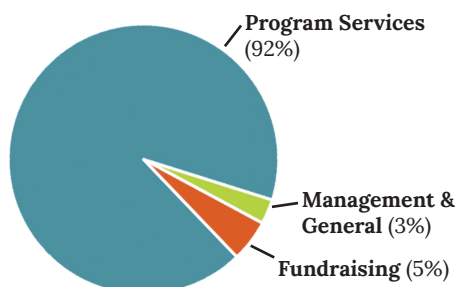
Thank you for the ways you serve and how your generosity allows us to serve during the holiday season and year 'round.

In service,

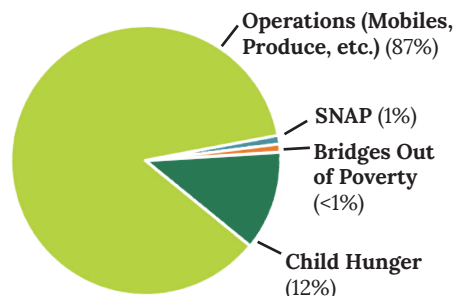
Michaela Kumke
President & CEO

FY 2022 Expenses

Total Expenses



Expenses by Program



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The numbers reflected below include financial activity related to our general operating and Raising Our Response Capital Campaign efforts through the fiscal year end 2022.

Statement of Financial Position – June 30, 2022

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,211,001
Certificates of deposit	1,585,185
Accounts receivable	10,335
Pledges receivable, current portion	372,252
Grants receivable	491,355
Prepaid expenses	91,989
Inventory (donated and purchased)	<u>1,152,257</u>
Total current assets	8,914,374

PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, net 10,387,818

OTHER ASSETS

Pledges receivable, less current portion	<u>232,617</u>
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TOTAL ASSETS \$ 19,534,809

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Accounts payable	\$ 806,608
Payroll taxes payable	4,836
Accrued wages	82,038
Accrued vacation	<u>67,989</u>
Total current liabilities	961,471

NET ASSETS

Without donor restrictions	
Undesignated	16,511,496
Board designated	219,483
With donor restrictions	<u>1,842,359</u>
Total net assets	<u>18,573,338</u>

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

\$ 19,534,809

Statement of Activities – Year Ended June 30, 2022

Changes in Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions

REVENUE AND SUPPORT

Value of contributed inventory	\$ 10,843,333
Contributions	3,528,023
In-kind goods and services	83,586
Governmental program support	756,694
Investment income	14,528
Agency cooperative purchasing and fees	35,759
Gain on disposal of assets	819,302
Miscellaneous	<u>15,806</u>
Total revenue and support	16,097,031
Net assets released from restrictions	<u>7,238,825</u>
TOTAL REVENUE AND SUPPORT WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS	<u>23,335,856</u>

EXPENSES

Operations	14,203,341
Child Hunger	1,976,097
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)	171,143
Bridges Out of Poverty	30,533
Management and General	535,713
Fundraising	<u>846,096</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>17,762,923</u>
Increase in net assets without donor restrictions	5,572,933

Changes in Net Assets With Donor Restrictions

Restricted grants and contributions	3,249,896
Net assets released from restrictions	<u>(7,238,825)</u>
Increase (decrease) in net assets with donor restrictions	<u>(3,988,929)</u>
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	1,584,004
Net assets at beginning of year	<u>16,989,334</u>
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	\$ <u>18,573,338</u>



9,132,067

Total Meals Connected



3,463,662

Pounds of Fresh Produce Distributed



867,983

Meals Connected through Child Hunger Programs



Putting Healthy Food Within Reach

1,277,382

Meals Connected via SNAP

\$ 5,704,786

Estimated Economic Impact of SNAP Outreach

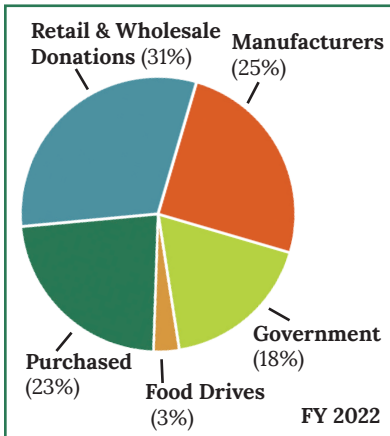


24,724

Volunteer Hours

Food Bank FAQ:

Where Do You Get Food to Distribute?



We rely on five primary sources to distribute millions of pounds of food each year:

Retail & Wholesale Donations. Each week, the Food Bank of Lincoln collects surplus foods from local and national retailers. The excess goods are safe to consume and donated for a variety of reasons, such as making room on the shelves for new items.

Manufacturers. Similarly, when food manufacturers, like Tyson, Conagra, Smithfield and Del Monte or additional vendors in the Feeding America network have excess product to share, they donate surplus items, helping connect neighbors with meats, produce and more.

Purchased. We are always searching for the best deal when purchasing food and are committed to responsible spending. Our membership in the Feeding America network enhances the Food Bank of Lincoln's purchasing power by unlocking bulk pricing to stretch the impact of each dollar spent. Purchasing products helps provide consistent offerings and ensure variety among food groups.

Government. Federal nutrition programs, such as The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) and Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) connect the Food Bank with USDA products at no cost. These federal resources are essential to our food supply and to food banks across the country.

Food Drives. Donations from individual, corporate and community food drives help provide an assortment of nourishing items for neighbors in need.

Read an extended version of this FAQ at lincolnfoodbank.org.



Hunger Doesn't Take a Holiday

Your support helps provide comfort and joy to neighbors in Southeast Nebraska. To make a gift this holiday season, look for these promotions now through December 31:

Check Out Hunger: Make a \$1, \$5 or \$10 donation at participating stores. Look for donation coupons at the register.

Holiday Food Drive: Donate food and personal care items at participating grocery stores.

Learn more or donate online at lincolnfoodbank.org.



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8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Monday-Friday

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