



South Sacramento Interfaith Partnership Food Closet 2022 Annual Report

### **Our Mission**

The primary mission of the SSIP Food Closet is to maintain and operate an emergency food distribution program to help alleviate food insecurity for Sacramento area residents. Partner faith-based organizations, with assistance from local businesses and other community members, provide the support and resources for the Food Closet's mission.

### **Our Vision**

The SSIP Food Closet will continue to be a well-managed and sustainably funded food distribution beacon for the food insecure residents of Sacramento, working together to provide funding, structure and operating procedures to ensure a secure and stable organization.

## Our Values Accountability Integrity Service Stewardship

### **From SSIP Board Chair**

As we look back on the previous year, the SSIP Board of Directors have much to be thankful for and celebrate. As you look through this report, we hope you feel inspired by all those who have done their part to help us maintain our vision in Sacramento.

The dedication of our part-time staff of four and the commitment of more than 100 volunteers effectively embrace the spirit of SSIP's mission to serve the food-insecure of Sacramento. The challenge can be daunting, but these committed individuals show up and seamlessly work together to organize, pack, and distribute approximately 30 pounds of food to each of the more than 200 families who come to our door each day. In addition to weekday pick-ups at grocery stores, drivers work on weekends to assure that our shelves are stocked for the coming week. We are truly grateful.

This year we worked to bring more people into the SSIP family and link their skills and talents to our needs. We focused on recruiting volunteers with a goal of offering a variety of tasks for those who are giving generously of their time.

Sacramento Food Bank and Family Services, our grocery partners, faith congregations and the funds we receive from grants and from our generous donors have all played a crucial part in enabling SSIP to do this good work and do it well. We appreciate you.

While we have our challenges—a shortage of space being the primary one—we are a dedicated and resourceful group, and we will find a way to continue the mission that we have pursued for more than 50 years. Your involvement and contributions are what make this endeavor successful. We give thanks to each one of you and the part you play in this vital service.

Tom Busch, SSIP Board Chair

# Working Together to Meet the Need

Food insecurity has not lessened. These increases feel overwhelming but we have been blessed to be able to meet the need. We continue to be very grateful for the people who have contributed to supply our neighbors struggling to make ends meet.

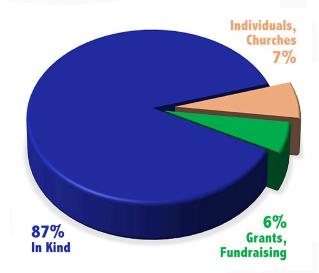
We are thankful for the many of you who have contributed and continue to help us meet this overwhelming need. We are blessed by the outreach of this community to help us with this very important mission.



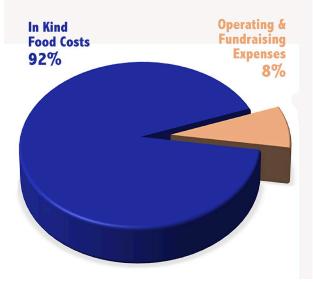
We are thankful for those who have stepped up to help with our fundraising efforts. Full Plates Full Hearts and the area-wide Big Day of Giving are annual fundraisers that help us reach our financial goals. Both of these events were successful raising \$40,000 this year.

Your generosity affirms our belief that we can help to close the gap for the more than 287,500 people in Sacramento County who are at risk of hunger. We are blessed to have your helping hands in joining SSIP in this fight. It takes a village to do this work and you are that village.

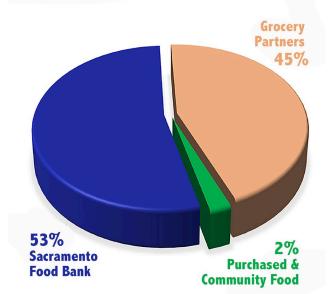
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2022 SSIP Operating Expenses

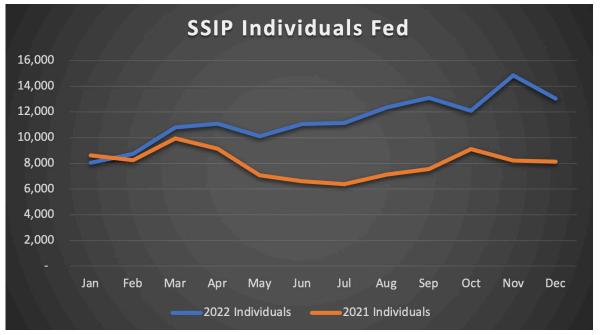


**2022 SSIP Food Distribution Sources** 



### **Caring For Our Neighbors**

SSIP Food Closet's mission is to alleviate food insecurity for Sacramento residents. We are able to do this by providing emergency food distribution Monday through Friday 9:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. In 2022, like the prior year, we continued to see increases in number of individuals and households served. Year-to-year figures are displayed below.



## 136,382 Fed **42%** Increase





### Thank you to all of SSIP's 2022 generous sponsors



### **Grocery Partners**

Grocery partners serve an important role in providing a vital resource for our clients in the form of perishable foods, fresh produce, and packaged dry goods.

In 2022, our grocery partners donated over 400,000 pounds of food to SSIP Food Closet. The donations from our partners are mostly perishable foods, like deli sandwiches or ready-made salads along with fresh produce and packaged goods. All of these items are what our clients enjoy the most about our Food Closet.

**Grocery Partners:** 

- Bel Air (Rush River)
- Grocery Outlet (Florin Rd./Riverside Blvd.)
- Nugget Market (Florin Rd./Greenhaven Dr.)
- Raley's (Freeport Blvd.)
- Trader Joe's (Folsom Blvd.)



## **SSIP Leadership**

Faith-based partner organizations, with assistance from local businesses and other community members, provide the support and resources for the Food Closet's mission. The South Sacramento Interfaith Partnership is led by board members from faith-based organizations, and community members listed below.

### Faith-based Board Members:

- Bethany Presbyterian Church *Rev. Jesse Larson*
- Centennial United Methodist Church Loretta Fransham, Kathy Anderson, Mary Lou Hanzlik
- Faith Presbyterian Church Tom Busch, Deb Kanner, Chong Choe-Smith
- Florin United Methodist Church Chuck Snyder
- Hope United Methodist Church Venéta Forrest Saulny
- Parkside Community Church, United Church of Christ Margaret Brown, John Sugar
- Parkview Presbyterian Church Carla Hart, Lois Van Beers
- Sacramento Japanese United Methodist Church Shigeko Shibata, Elaine Maeda
- Saint Anthony Catholic Parish Leonor Alvarez, Pat Aguiar Ramirez, Henry Sepulveda

#### **Community Board Members:**

• Community Partners -Jim & Wally Hoffsis

### **Grant Awards and Funding**

Ann Land-Bertha Henschel Memorial Fund (ALBHMF) - City of Sacramento Memorial Funds Commission American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Food Justice grant program - City of Sacramento Office of Innovation & Economic Development Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) grant (2022-2023) County of Sacramento Sacramento County PHASE 39 Funding - Emergency Food & Shelter grant Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services Rotary Club of Sacramento



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