



Sharing the Bounty

Community Hunger Solutions (CHS) is a food distribution project providing solutions to hunger in Southwest Wisconsin and beyond!

MISSION: CHS is dedicated to increasing access to healthy food by providing food pantries with surplus fresh produce from local farms.

Website: www.community-hunger-solutions.org

Accomplishments in 2014 & 2015 include:

County		Vernon-Monroe-Crawford	La Crosse	12 Other SW WI Counties	Total	Total Meals (1.2 lbs.=1 meal)	Cost per meal
Produce Delivered	2014	34,343 lbs.	50,488 lbs.	80,392 lbs.	165,223 lbs.	137,686	\$0.55
	2015	44,662 lbs.	58,992 lbs.	141,631 lbs.	245,285 lbs.	204,404	\$0.36

CHS Financials:

INCOME	2014	2015	EXPENDITURES	2014	2015
Grants	\$70,575	\$64,000	Purchased Produce	\$24,390 32%	\$22,219 30%
Local Businesses/Individuals	\$3,425	\$800	Staffing	\$24,573 32%	\$31,009 42%
Second Harvest Contributions for Produce	\$6,470	\$11,330	Operations (Rent, Transportation, Supplies)	\$19,462 26%	\$14,570 20%
			Education for Pantries	\$7,600 10%	\$5,497 8%
TOTAL	\$80,470	\$76,130		\$76,025	\$73,295

CHS 2016 Goals			
Produce Provided	Meals Provided	Cost per meal	Income Needed
360,000 lbs.	300,000	\$0.50	\$150,000.00

An estimated \$3 billion of quality produce is abandoned in U.S. fields each year, yet one in every five Americans is considered to be food insecure. These are the two immense challenges that CHS is addressing simultaneously. What are the components of the successful model CHS has developed, and how can you help sustain this effort?