

Save the Date

You can help the Imperial Valley Food Bank by participating in and supporting our upcoming events:

- Simple Dinner – Monday, April 24, 2017
An event for Sustainable Food Bank Members
- Bowling to STRIKE Out Hunger – Sunday, June 25, 2017
A corporate challenge bowling tournament and fundraiser
- Harvest Bowl – Saturday, October 14, 2017
A fundraising dinner on behalf of the 20,000 monthly recipients
- Kid Stampede – Sunday, November 5, 2017
A race for kids to promote healthy activity and good nutrition

Contact Us

The Imperial Valley Food Bank is located in south El Centro next to the County Sheriff's Office and County Jail.

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Annual Report



IMPERIAL VALLEY FOOD BANK

2016

Our Mission

Fighting Hunger-
Bringing Health and Hope to
the Imperial Valley

Our Vision

To ensure all residents in
need have access to
nutritionally valuable food

Our 2016 Leadership

Kris Becker, President
John Levada, Vice President
Bob Barros, CFO
Steve Nickus, Secretary
James Abatti
Ed McGrew
Bill Thomas
Sister Maria Luísa Valdez
Shelly Wilkinson

Your Impact

Adopt-A-Child



Children who must rely on school breakfasts and lunches for their principal sources of food are at risk when at home on the weekends. Over 700 students in 40 schools in Imperial County receive food in their backpacks every Friday so they have food over the weekend. The cost is \$180 per child per school year. This program receives no outside financial support and relies on the generosity of local citizens and small family foundations.

Sustainable Membership



The Food Bank serves the community every month of the year, yet most giving occurs only during the Christmas holiday. We strongly encourage donors to contribute to the Food Bank each month to help us balance our budget so we can continue the work of saving lives all year round. Membership levels start at \$25 monthly. Members pay their donation either through our online PayPal account or through their own bill payment system through their local bank. There are benefits to membership.

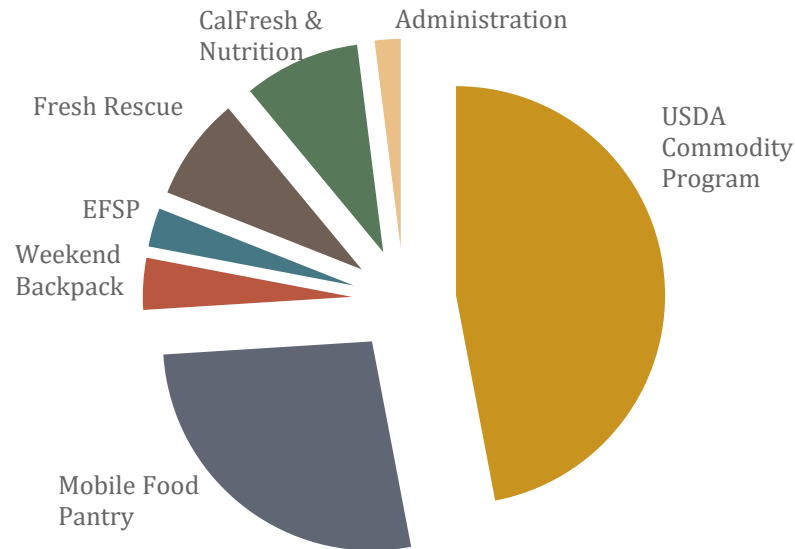
Financials

The Imperial Valley Food Bank operated with expenses of \$636,239 in 2016. Funding, to offset operations, came from the following sources:

- **39% Local Community Giving**
- 23% Government Reimbursements for operating their programs i.e. USDA commodities, CalFresh outreach
- 25% Foundation Grants
- 13% Program Revenue

The value of our work is \$6,249,927

Expenses



We appreciate you!

Dear Friends,

We are so grateful to our local community! This year, for the first time in our 25 years of operation, the local community supported the Food Bank financially with 39% of our budget. Your increased concern for fighting hunger allows us to do more to impact hunger in our community.

In 2016, we were blessed to have Jack Terrazas, the Chairman of the County Board of Supervisors, acknowledge that hunger is a real problem in our fair county and make it the #1 priority of his administration. We were also honored with the awarding of the California Nonprofit of the Year medallion by California Assemblymember Eduardo Garcia. These recognitions show the severity of the problem we are charged to fight and acknowledges the work the Imperial Valley Food Bank is doing to make a difference in the lives of the hungry.

Thank you for your generous support. We welcome you to become more involved with us as we continue our vital work here in Imperial County.

With humble thanks,

Sara Griffen, M.S.
Executive Director



Plans for a New Home

Building, Feeding, Thriving

The Campaign for the Imperial Valley Food Bank

Our Board knew many years ago, that we were running out of room in our older buildings, that we did not have enough parking spaces, and that not having a loading dock made all of our work much harder for employees. However, when we discovered that new mandated food safety regulations would close our current facility, we had no choice but to face the daunting task of launching a capital campaign.

Three years later, after much hard work and due diligence, the Board and the Capital Campaign Cabinet are pleased to announce that our campaign is well underway towards building a new facility for the food bank to operate out of for generations to come.

We Need Your Help!

We have secured funding from Rabobank, The James Irvine Foundation and the Imperial Irrigation District, as well as 100% giving from our Board of Directors, the Campaign Cabinet and several local individuals. We are currently at 57% of our goal of \$6,000,000. We now look to our local community to help us fill the gap. The new facility will be conveniently located, have the latest food safety components built in, interior refrigeration and freezer capacity, and provide adequate parking for staff and volunteers. It will be located next to an existing bus stop and will enable the food bank to engage in essential nutrition education and cooking classes for low-income residents of the county. Continuing to serve 20,000 residents monthly, the new food bank will not only facilitate greater efficiency in food distribution to our 100 partner agencies, but will allow us to address food-related health issues in our community.

Our 2016 Impact

- 4,167, 852 pounds of food was distributed to residents of Imperial County
- This is equivalent to 3,334,280 meals
- The value of those meals to the community is **\$6,249,927**
- We provide that impact to our community with an annual budget of \$636,239

Major Gift Support

Alliance Healthcare Foundation
John & Marie Anderson
Wells Fargo Foundation
Pattern Energy
Rabobank N.A.
DOVES
KXO-AM
Conveyor Group
AT&T
Imperial Pre-Mix
Rubin Seeds
Joann Weissman
Walmart El Centro
Centene Management Company
Valley Spreader, Inc.
United Way of Imperial County

James Abatti & Deborah Owen
Children's Health Fund
Poli & Mercedes Flores
Lutheran Women's Missionary League
MAZON A Jewish Response to Hunger
NAF Chapel El Centro
Western Mesquite Mines
Bank of America
The Elmore Company
Elanco
Judith Low
Justin Lofton Foundation
Imperial Valley Breakfast Rotary
El Centro Rotary
Cheryl Pitones



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