Annual Report

Imperial Valley Food Bank
Rabobank Center
486 West Aten Road
Imperial, CA 92251

2020
2020 - The Year of COVID-19

Each year, there seems to be a photograph that sums up the previous year. The photo on the preceding page is just that for 2020. Taken at our first “drive-thru distribution,” it includes Board Members, Staff, National Guard members and volunteers all bravely distributing food to people during a pandemic. All at a time when we really did not know that much about the disease. It also shows a resilient organization willing to be as creative as can be to change its years-old operational model to adapt services to protect staff as well as those we serve.

Last year will hopefully never be repeated in our lifetimes. Back in March, Governor Newsom declared food service workers “essential.” As such, we never stopped working! Other people worked from home; we came to work every day. Schools closed, which impacted some of our staff, and we made an empty office into a place for those children to attend class. We had to social distance, so employees spread out in the large kitchen - everyone to their own table - which continues today. When seniors and college students - the core of our volunteers - were not able to assist us, the assistance from the National Guard, County workers and Work Force Development funds hiring Work Experience program participants has helped us tremendously through the year. We wear masks in the halls, we take our temperature daily and we taught ourselves the new COVID OSHA rules to stay in compliance. The changes needed to adapt in this pandemic climate have been demanding. And we have risen to the challenge.

Our hope is to learn from these challenges and adaptations moving forward. Are there things we have learned that can help us achieve our mission in the future in serving our community? We will have to see what next year’s photo is!

Imperial Valley Food Bank - Board of Directors for 2020

John Levada - President
Jimmy Abatti - Vice-President
Bob Barros - Treasurer/CFO
Shelly Wilkinson - Secretary
Kris Becker
Lizandro Escobosa
Elvira Gonzalez

Ed McGrew
Tom Muller
Steve Nickus
Jean Oswalt
Sharon Stegmuller
William Thomas

Our Thanks for Major Gift support in 2020

Feeding San Diego
Jeff Bezos (via Feeding America)
Imperial County Local Health Authority
Imperial Valley Wellness Foundation
Price Philanthropies
Imperial County Children and Families First Commission
Sandberg Goldberg Charitable Support Fund
Wells Fargo Community Giving
Warne Foundation
Global Giving
Rest Haven Children's Fund
California Association of Food Banks
San Diego United Way (Census Outreach grant)
William & Marybelle Plourd
Pattern Energy
James Irvine Foundation
Mechanics Bank
Imperial County Community Foundation
Enterprise Rent-a-Car
Catholic Charities (Listos California grant)
California Foundation for Stronger Communities
Verizon Wireless
Bank of America
2020 was a record-breaking year

A perfect storm of reasons led to the most food ever distributed by the Imperial Valley Food Bank.

Served: 8,627,246 pounds of food
Value of the Food $13,631,049
Meals served: 7,200,000

We also raised more money than any other year in our history; $3,819,772 to be exact. This is more than double the previous year's fundraising success.
## Operational Budget 2020

**Imperial Valley Food Bank**

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Net assets as of 12.31.2020 - $8,564,568
We wish to express our deep appreciation to the staff of the Imperial Valley Food Bank who went above and beyond in 2020. At a time when many of our agencies closed, and did not serve the public, the Food Bank staff stepped in and kept distributions going to be sure that when the community needed food more than ever, food was available. They risked their lives, and their families, to continue the mission of the Food Bank:

**Fighting Hunger – bringing Health and Hope to the Imperial Valley**

Our "essential worker" staff:

James Taylor
Bridget Fajardo
Cecilia Regalado
Ariana Ochoa
Yerardi Rivas
Argenis Santana
Kandy Pereira

Alba Sanchez
Stefanie Campos
Gerald Vindiola
Jessica Espinoza
Roberto Manzano
Triny Meza
Derek Floyd

And former employees: Jesse Aguirre & Gricelda Camacho
Thank you!