

## We Are Feeding South Dakota

Feeding South Dakota is the state's largest hunger-relief organization, **with a mission** to end hunger in South Dakota. Through our programs and community partners we are distributing food to all 66 counties of our state and fighting hunger in rural communities, metro areas and Native American Reservations.

**Our Vision** is a state where no one person's health, well-being, or potential is hindered by the availability of nutritious food. Together, with the support of our incredible volunteers and South Dakota communities, we are impacting food insecurity rates by filling the tables of our neighbors facing hunger.

## **Our History**

We haven't always been the only food bank in South Dakota. Our history begins in 1975, and serving people has been at the core of all that we do since then. Learn more from our timeline.

## **Our Core Values**

**Serve with Compassion:** We ensure every person's dignity is preserved by respecting our differences, displaying empathy, and showing no judgment.

**Work with Purpose:** We have ownership in our mission when, as a team, we work consistently and operate with integrity.

**Connect with Intention:** We grow through a culture of transparency, being receptive to others, and practicing humility.

## Who We Serve

We partner with communities and organizations throughout South Dakota to make it easy for everyone to access nutritious food. These options are community based and accessible to all.

**BackPack Program:** Filled with non-perishable ingredients, this program ensures that children who rely on school meals do not go hungry over the weekend.

**School Pantry Program:** Conveniently located on school grounds, this program offers a reliable food source to students and their families.

**Mobile Food Distribution:** Monthly sites are hosted by a Feeding South Dakota partner and are set up drive-through style, where volunteers load food directly into the vehicles of those utilizing our program.

**Wellness Pantries:** Patients who screen positive for food insecurity at a medical appointment can receive immediate access to food and resources that connect them to a long-term solution.

**Community Partners:** Food pantries, hot meal sites, shelters, and other community sites provide a variety of food assistance programs to fight hunger locally.

**Senior Box Program:** Through this federal commodity program, eligible seniors receive a free box of healthy, shelf-stable groceries each month.