

Annual Report



2009

FOOD BANK
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A Message from the Executive Director

In terms of production, 2009 was a banner year. Several things fell into place that made it possible for us to distribute 3.9 million pounds of food to the needy in Northeast Louisiana. We continue to work toward improving our capacity in all areas. We invested in transportation equipment, staff training, and additional warehouse space. The Food Bank remains financially sound in an environment that has not been kind to many worthy charities. We have much to be grateful for. Even though we are pleased with our performance, we know that there are major challenges coming and we must deliver our best efforts.

We offer this annual report to you as a summary of our efforts and results.

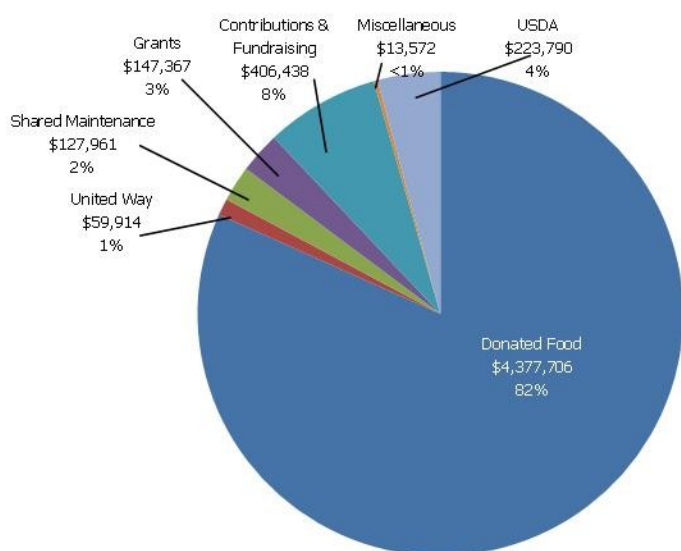


Our Statistics

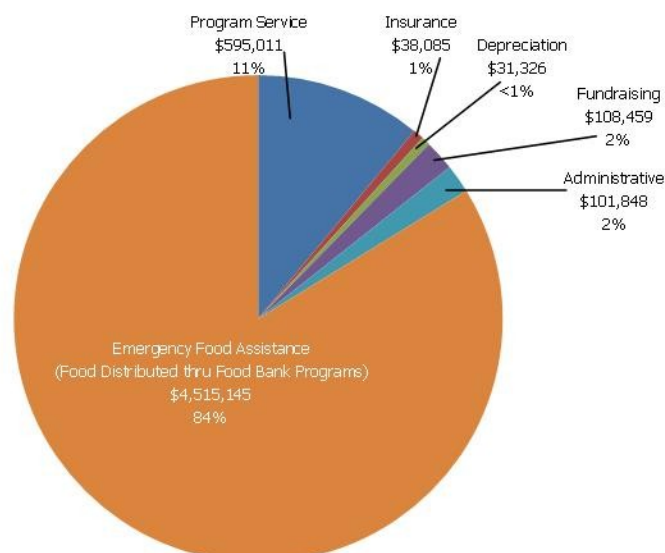
As an emergency food provider, the Food Bank of Northeast Louisiana is the largest distributor of donated food for our twelve parish service area. We sort, warehouse and distribute food to approximately 90 partner agencies which then give it to needy people. People affected by hunger in our community are often hard-working adults, children and senior citizens who simply cannot make ends meet and are forced to go without food for several meals, or even days.

In 2009, we participated in the largest study of hunger in the United States. Here are some of the key findings from our Food Bank:

- We provide food for an estimated 39,000 different people annually.
- 7,400 different people receive emergency food assistance in any given week.
- 30% of households include at least one employed adult.
- 42% of the members of households receiving food are children under 18 years old.
- 83% have income below the federal poverty level during the previous month.
- 40% of clients that receive food assistance report having to choose between paying for food and paying for utilities.
- 26% had to choose between paying for food and paying their rent or mortgage.
- 34% had to choose between paying for food and paying for medicine or medical care.



2009 Income



2009 Expenses

Our Partner Agencies

Caldwell Parish:

Caldwell Baptist House of Hope
Covenant Worship Center
LaSalle C.A.A. Caldwell

East Carroll Parish:

East Carroll CAP
LA Center Against Poverty

Franklin Parish:

Bethany Worship Center
Fresh Start Outreach Ministry
LaSalle Franklin
Learning Through Play Daycare
Russell Majors Childcare

Jackson Parish:

First Baptist Church of Chatham
Jackson PineBelt CAP
Jonesboro 1st Baptist Church
Mt. Grace Teen Challenge

Lincoln Parish:

Anchor Tabernacle
Christian Community Action
Lincoln Parish CAP
New Living Word Ministries
Ruston Teen Challenge

Madison Parish:

Madison Delta CAP

Morehouse Parish:

Bonita Road Assembly of God
Bonne Idee Assembly of God
Morehouse Council on Aging
Morehouse PineBelt CAP
Mt. Zion C.O.G.I.C
White Ave. Baptist Church

Ouachita Parish:

American Red Cross
ARCO
Beauty 4 Ashes
Big Brothers Big Sisters
Booker T Community Outreach
Boys & Girls Club of W. Monroe
Bread of Life Christ Ministry
Calhoun Church of Christ
Calvary Missionary Baptist
Calvary Temple
City of West Monroe
EIB Apostolics of Monroe
Families Helping Families
Family Promise of Ouachita
Field DeLa Naturelle
First Church of the Nazarene

Grace Place Ministries, Inc.
Home at Last (Wellspring)
Jackson House Image
Johnny Robinson's Boys Home
Lanes Chapel M.B.C., Inc
Macedonia SDA Church
Monroe Area Guidance
NELA Family Literacy
Ouachita Council on Aging
Our House TLP
Our House, Inc.
Ouachita Multi Purpose CAP
Present Truth SDA Church
Ray of Hope Ministries
Rays of Sunshine
Salvation Army Pantry
Salvation Army Soup Kitchen
St. Alban's Episcopal Church
St. Jude Baptist Church
Supreme Intervention
The Ampy Community Center
True Vine Baptist Church
Twin City Community Welfare
University Church of Christ
Volunteers of America
Wellspring Alliance for Families
West Ouachita Senior Center

Richland Parish:

Care & Share
Mt. Zion Community Develop.
NELA Family Literacy
Richland Delta CAP

Tensas Parish:

God's Mission Center
LaSalle Tensas
Springfield Missionary Baptist

Union Parish:

Mt. Ararat Missionary Baptist
Traylor Ministries, Inc.
Union Community Action
Zion Hill Baptist Church

West Carroll Parish:

Comfort Corner
Footprints Storefront Ministry
Oak Grove Macon Economic

Programs

Food Distribution: The Food Bank of Northeast Louisiana distributed 3.9 million pounds of food to partner agencies in the 12 parishes in Northeast Louisiana.

Emergency Food Boxes: The Food Bank of Northeast Louisiana provided emergency boxes to approximately 2,483 individuals.

Disaster Relief: As a first responder in the event of a disaster the Food Bank of Northeast Louisiana will provide immediate assistance to our partner agencies, pop-up and faith based shelters and other individuals.

BackPack Program: 317 chronically hungry children were provided with a weekly backpack of food to take home for the weekend and holidays. The backpack is filled with kid friendly nutritional meals and snacks.

Adopt-A-Senior Program: The Food Bank of Northeast Louisiana provided a monthly food box to 1435 low income seniors throughout our 12 parishes.



Pounds Distributed

<u>Parish</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Number of Persons Living in Poverty</u>
Caldwell	66,592	1,913
East Carroll	102,831	2,790
Franklin	218,813	5,590
Jackson	266,898	2,631
Lincoln	61,775	9,008
Madison	17,299	3,680
Morehouse	194,252	8,601
Ouachita	2,227,257	30,176
Richland	318,535	4,694
Tensas	160,380	1,976
Union	177,392	4,173
West Carroll	100,560	2,741

Mission

The Food Bank of Northeast Louisiana seeks to battle hunger and improve the wellness of our community by:
1)Securing food and providing it to partner agencies that feed the hungry; 2)Fostering public awareness; 3)Managing direct distribution programs.

Vision

A hunger-free Northeast Louisiana.

Staff

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