

Food Bank Impact in Broome County

Sept 8th, 2026

Goals for Today

Learn about the
Food Bank
and our
network



Current
Broome
County
Statistics



Gain a shared
understanding
of the benefits
of FBST
partnerships in
Broome
County



Share FBST
current
challenges and
opportunities



First – Thank You Broome County

Over \$400,000 in
funding from Broome
County to food pantries
and School Food Centers
since **2008**.

About the Food Bank of the Southern Tier

A regional agency of Catholic Charities and a member of Feeding America

foodbank
of the Southern Tier

Our Mission & Vision



Mission: Working together to build and sustain hunger-free communities throughout the Southern Tier.

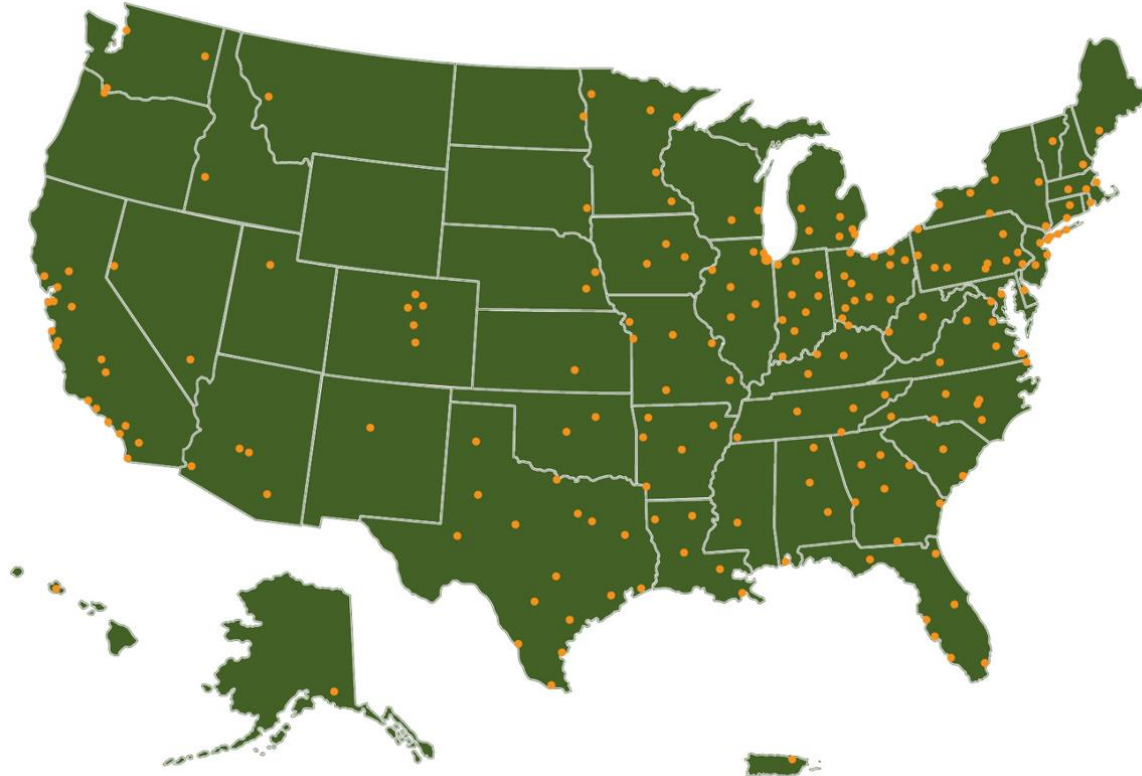


Vision: Committed to creating a future without hunger where access to healthy food is recognized as fundamental to the well-being and success of individuals and the foundation of a strong, vibrant society.

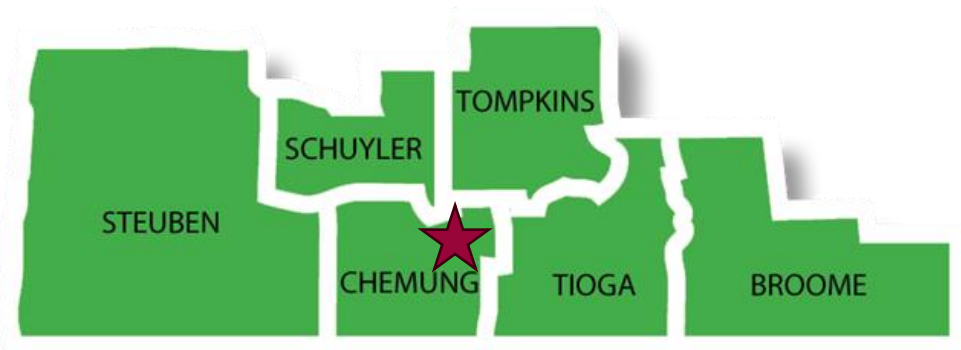
Feeding NYS Network



Feeding America Network



FBST Service Area



The Numbers:

- 75,000 food insecure people
food insecure people in our
service area needed over
14.5M meals



- 1 in 5 children experience
food insecurity



- 1.76M requests for food in
2025. Of that, 590,000 were
for children

How We Get Food

The Food Bank acquires food from 3-channels with different cost structures for us and partners.



Federal Commodities (TEFAP* and Others)

- *The **E**mergency **F**ood **A**ssistance **P**rogram is a USDA program that connects farmers excess product to Food Banks for distribution at no cost to the Food Bank or agencies they work with.
- TEFAP also provides Operational Support funds based on volumes.



In-kind Donations

- Donated food from all sources, primarily through retail partnerships. Donated inventory is available to partners for a nominal shared maintenance fee to help cover our logistics.



Wholesale Purchasing

- Food acquired from wholesalers for cash. Partners purchase this food from the Food Bank at cost, plus handling fees.



Broome County Statistics

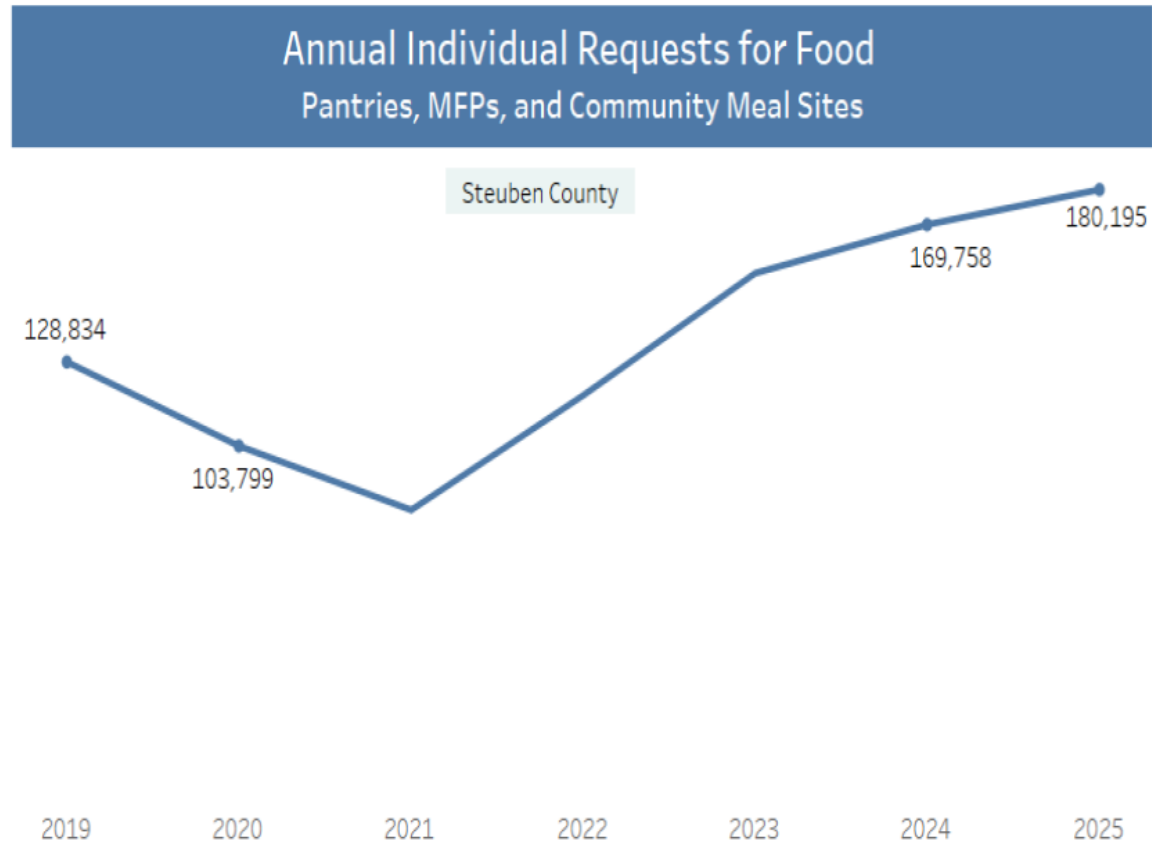


BROOME COUNTY 2025 BY THE NUMBERS

29,000 PEOPLE ARE FOOD INSECURE
Including 1 in 7 individuals and 1 in 5 children



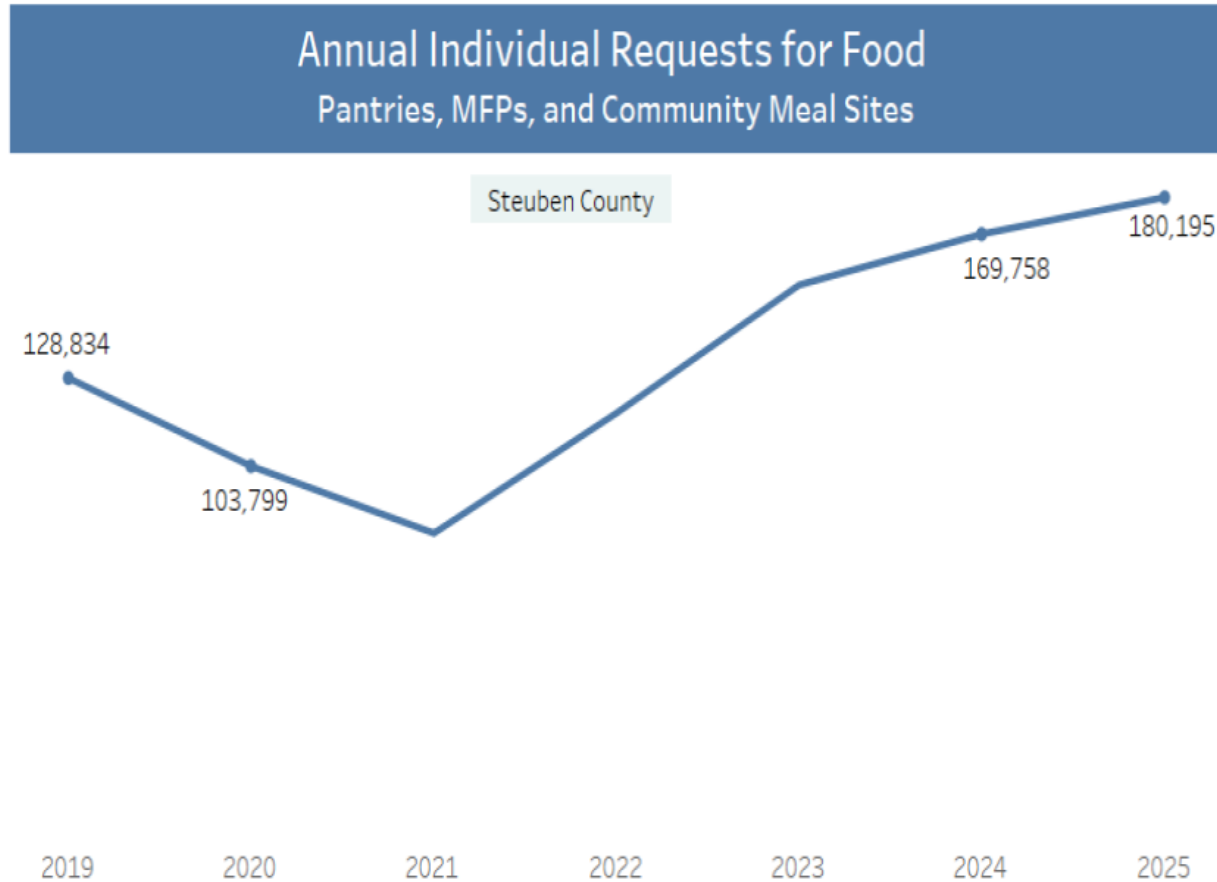
Broome County Service Statistics



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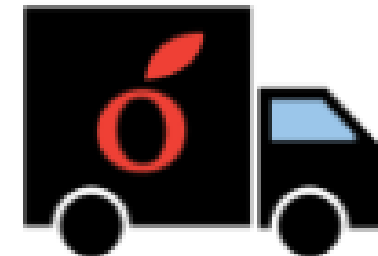


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Agency & Program Impacts in Broome County

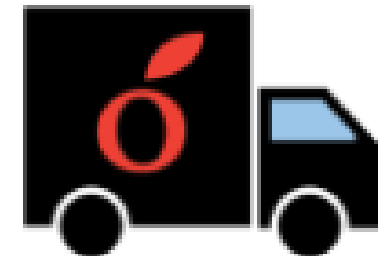
FBST in Broome County



Total value FBST provided to
Broome County in 2025
(food & non-food) through **agencies & programs**

\$7.5M_(est)

Agency Impact



Total value FBST provided to
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\$6.2M(est)

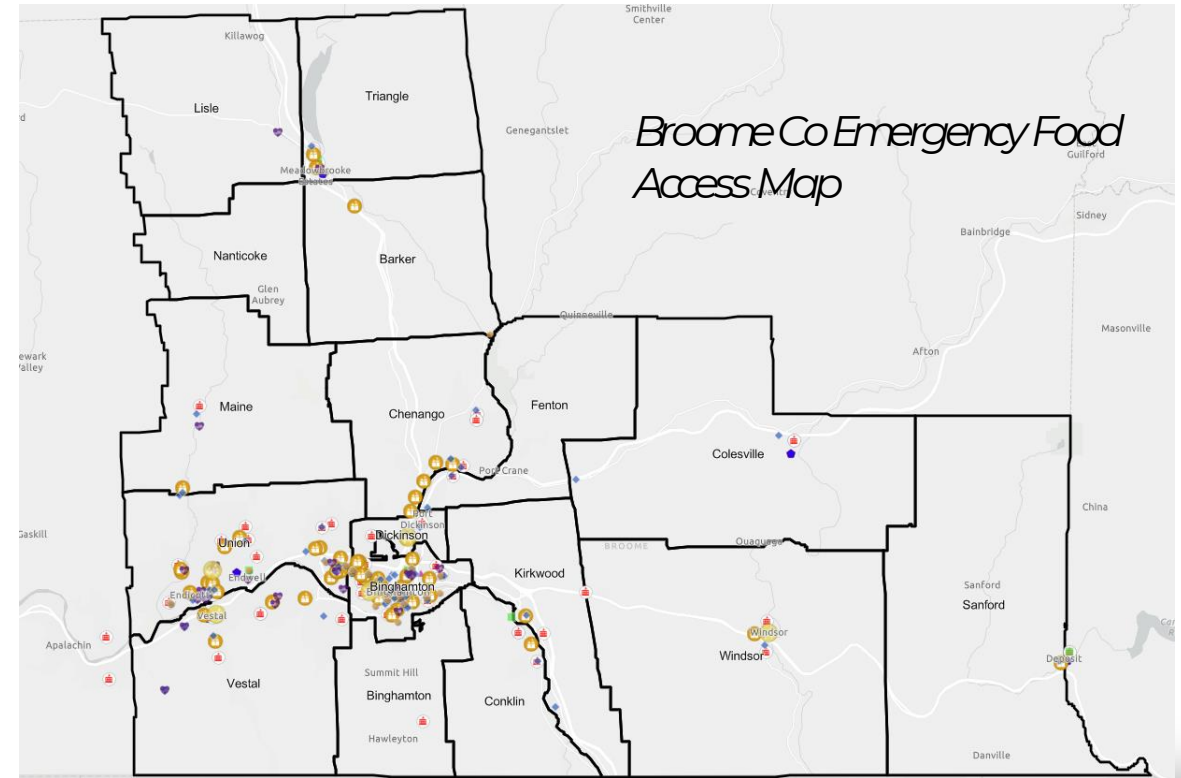
Total Actual Cost to agencies = \$260k
Average cost per pound to agencies = \$.07

FBST Agencies in Broome - Pantries

- Addiction Center of Broome County (ACBC)
- Binghamton University Food Pantry
- Binghamton University
- C.C. Broome/100 Main Street Food Pantry
- C.C. Broome/Mother Teresa's Cupboard
- Catherine's Cupboard
- Centenary Chenango Street UMC Food Pantry
- Colesville Community Pantry
- Community Pantry at UPC
- Deposit Food Pantry
- Fairview UMC Food Pantry
- First United of Windsor
- Lee Barta Community Center Pantry
- Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry - Binghamton
- Northminster Presbyterian Church Pantry
- Our Lady of Sorrows Church Food Pantry
- Project Concern
- Redeemer Food Pantry/Sunflower Park
- S.T.A.P - Southern Tier Aids Program (STAP)
- Salvation Army FP - Binghamton
- St. Anthony Food Pantry
- St. Mark's Episcopal Church Food Pantry
- St. Michael's Orthodox Church Pantry
- St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church
- Temple Concord
- UHS Wilson Family Medicine Residency
- Union Center Methodist Church Food Pantry
- Union Presbyterian Church Food Pantry
- Valley Church Pantry - Binghamton
- Whitney Point Ecumenical Pantry
- Windsor Human Development

FBST Agencies - Kitchens

- Centenary Chenango Street UMC Community Meal
- Central United Methodist Church Meal
- Community Meal at UPC
- Dottie's Kitchen
- Endwell UMC Community Meal
- Fairview UMC Community Meal
- House of Worship Community Meal
- Salvation Army SK Community Meal - Binghamton
- St. Michael's Community Meal Program
- Tabernacle UMC Community Meal
- RISE (Shelter)
- Meals on Wheels (Senior)



FBST RDO - CHOW

- Redistribution Organization (RDO) through Feeding America
- Retail recovery collaboration



Value of Product By Source

Value of Food & Product_x

	Pounds	Value	Potential Cost to Agencies Before Grants
TEFAP	380,000	\$470,000	\$0
Donated	2.2 mil	\$4.2 mil	\$13,000
Wholesale	1.4 mil	\$1.5 mil	\$1.5 mil
Total	3.9 mil	\$6.2 mil	\$1.5 mil

*Donated includes Partner Driven Pounds/Retail Food Recovery
TEFAP: Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Program (USDA)

FBST Grants to Agencies

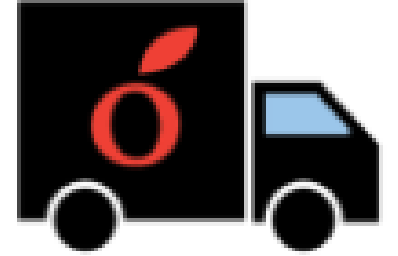


Food & Product Grants	Value
HPNAP Food Grant	\$210,000
HPNAP Legislative Initiative Fund	\$360,000
HPNAP Emergency Funding	\$18,000
Nourish New York	\$250,000
NNY Legislative Initiative Fund	\$51,000
Healthy Harvest	\$20,000
Broome County Grants	\$180,000
Other Grants – FBST & External	\$180,000
Total Product Grants	\$1.3 mil



- Hunger Prevention and Nutrition Assistance Program (DOH)
- Nourish NY (Ag & Markets)
- Healthy Harvest (FBST)

Program Impact



Total value FBST provided to
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\$1.3M(est)

Total Actual Cost to programs = \$0

FBST Programs in Broome

School Food Centers (14):

- Binghamton High School
- Chenango Forks CSD (Forks Food Center)
- Chenango Valley CSD (CV Food Center)
- Deposit CSD (Lumberjacks' Shack)
- East Learning Center - BT BOCES (ELC)
- Harpursville CSD (Hive Market)
- Johnson City CSD (Wildcat Food & Clothing Center)
- Maine-Endwell CSD (M-EALS & Leadership)
- PALS - BT BOCES (Simply Pawsitive Food Pantry)
- Susquehanna Valley CSD (SV Sabers Food Center)
- Traci CARES Center FP (Benjamin Franklin)
- Union-Endicott CSD (Union-Endicott Food Center)
- Union-Endicott CSD (West Corners Food Center)
- Whitney Point CSD (The Eagles Cupboard)

Kids Farmers Market (2)

- Family Enrichment Network
- Chenango Forks

BackPack Program (7)

- Backpack – Binghamton
- Backpack - Chenango Forks CSD
- Backpack - Chenango Valley CSD
- Backpack - Union-Endicott CSD
- Backpack - Vestal CSD
- Backpack - Whitney Point
- Backpack - Windsor

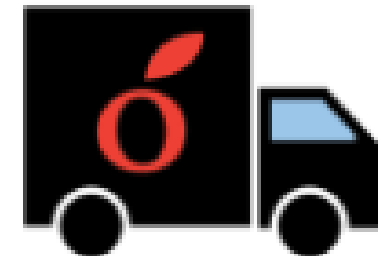
Mobile Food Pantries (9)

- American Civic Association
- Binghamton Plaza
- Conklin
- Deposit
- Endwell
- Maine
- Rumble Ponies
- Trinity
- Whitney Point

Senior Mobile Food Pantries (11)

- Carroll Street
- East Hill Senior Living
- Hamilton House
- Harry L Apartments
- Lincoln Court
- Marian Apartments
- Metro Plaza Apartments
- Nichols Notch Apartments
- Northern Broome Senior Center
- Wells Apartments
- Woodburn Court

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Total Pounds Distributed in Broome

THROUGH OUR PARTNERS
AND PROGRAMS

520,000

REQUESTS FOR FOOD

160,000

CHILD REQUESTS FOR FOOD

6.9 million

TOTAL POUNDS DISTRIBUTED,
INCLUDING 3.8 MILLION POUNDS
FROM CHOW*

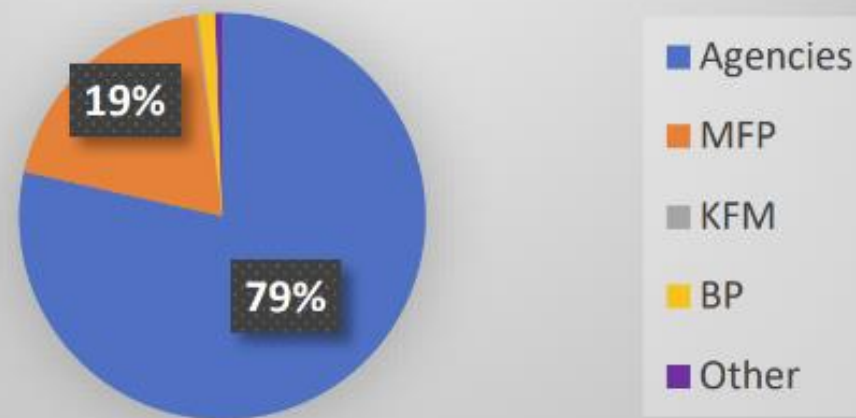
5.6 million

MEALS DISTRIBUTED

1.3 million

POUNDS OF FRESH PRODUCE

% of Pounds Distributed



Current Landscape: Challenges and Opportunities

HR 1 (OBBB) Impacts to SNAP

SNAP in Broome County

- Dollars/month in SNAP = \$1.97M
- Monthly economic impact = \$3-3.5M

Newly added demographics to time limits/work requirements:

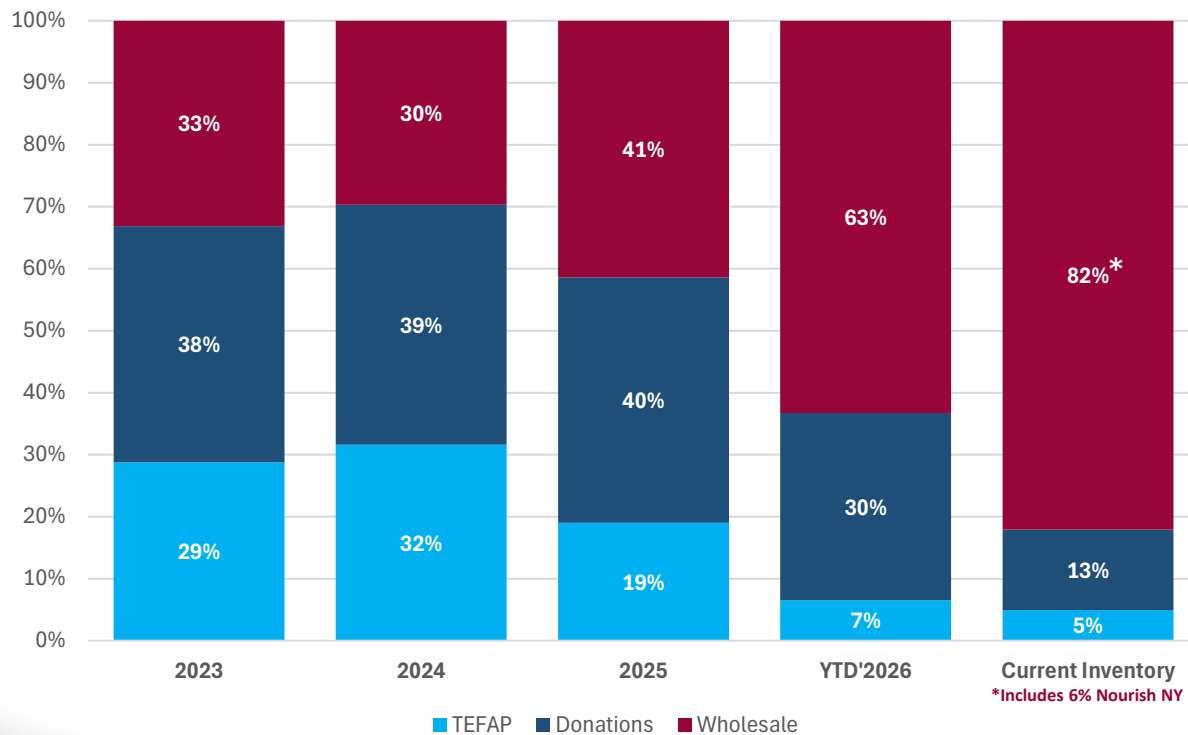
- Ages 55 through 64 (previously capped at 54)
- Parents of a school-age child aged 14 and older
- Veterans
- Unhoused individuals
- Former foster care youth aged 24 or younger

Populations kicked off SNAP completely:

- Asylum seekers and Refugees

Free Food is More Rare

Share of Food Value Distributed & Current Inventory



Pull-backs in Federal programs, more efficient retail operators, and rising logistic costs all contribute to a decline.

- Federal government has terminated LFPA¹ and significantly reduced CCC² loads
- Grocers and manufacturers ordering and stocking closer to exact demand, less surplus
- High-cost energy environment discourages logistics of in-kind donations

¹**LFPA (Local Food Purchase Assistance):** A USDA cooperative agreement program that provided funding to state, local, and tribal governments to purchase food from local, underserved farmers for distribution to regional hunger relief networks.

²**CCC (Commodity Credit Corporation):** A government-owned federal entity managed by the USDA that finances agricultural market stabilization, farm income support, and major emergency food procurement and distribution initiatives.

What We Are Doing

This “Inventory Crunch” requires difficult choices and careful monitoring.

Improve Product Sourcing

- Becoming as diversified and creative as possible with sourcing products to keep costs down while meeting nutritious meal needs

Expand Direct Financial Support

- The Food Bank will need to use direct fundraising support to subsidize cost pressure for partners more than ever

Continue to Focus on Operational Efficiency

- The Food Bank operates at **93% program efficiency**

Advocate & Educate Widely

- The Food Bank will need to advocate for strong State and Local support in lieu of Federal programs.

Consider Program Pivots

- Change targets and guidance for partners on how much food should be distributed to neighbors to maximize individuals impacted



Policy Solutions & Collaboration

Policies needing **further support and advocacy** to respond to upcoming changes:

- Broome County Food Council collaboration
- SNAP Outreach / Nutrition Outreach Education Program --> Nutrition Navigators
- Local agricultural initiatives to strengthen our local food system
- County Resolution in support of 2-Year Delay in the SNAP Cost-Shift





Thank you! Questions?