

# KNOW HUNGER

Our Mission is to Alleviate Hunger in the Inland Empire

Fall 2018 Vol 6 Issue 2



## IN THIS ISSUE:

- 2 | Join Us Under the Harvest Moon
- 3 | FARSB Opens First Food Hub
- 3 | FARSB Staff Gives Back
- 4 | FARSB Wins Best of Inland Empire 2018

## CEO CORNER



Dear Friends,

I was asked recently how many people are food insecure in the Inland Empire. When I responded with, “over 800,000 people”, I was met with a questioning look. It then occurred to me that many people in our community may have the misconception that hunger or food insecurity is visible.

Hunger, or food insecurity, in the Inland Empire, is more often than not, invisible.

The people we serve are mostly regular people with typically no outward signs of hunger. They are people who are unable to make ends meet and need supplemental assistance. They are college students who lack the resources to obtain 3 meals a day. They are working families who fall just short after paying their bills. They are people who have lost income due to an illness or a job loss. They are seniors who live on a fixed income and cannot afford nutritional sustenance. They are children whose families must choose between paying rent or buying food.

**The people we feed are people just like you and I who’ve come across hard times.**

Our food bank does so much more than just feed people. We give hope at times when people need it. We are a resource to many when life takes a downturn, unexpectedly.

Please help us to continue to spread HOPE in our community. *We cannot do it without you.* There are over 800,000 people who could use some HOPE right now.

As always, we thank you for being a supporter in helping us to end hunger in the Inland Empire.

[www.FeedingIE.org/donate](http://www.FeedingIE.org/donate)

With Joy,

*Stephanie Otero*

Stephanie Otero  
President/CEO & Hunger Advocate



## JOIN US UNDER THE HARVEST MOON

Please join us on Saturday, November 17, 2018, at the annual Million Meals Gala at the historic and intimate La Villa Bella San Antonio in Upland, CA.

As our special guest, you’ll have access to exclusive items in our silent and live auctions. Items up for bid include (2) Round-trip tickets on Alaska Airlines, (2) Round-trip tickets on Southwest Airlines, a Target shopping spree, Riverside Firehouse dinner and your very own Riverside Police Helicopter Ride over the city!

Before the event, vote for this year’s award nominees at [www.FeedingIE.org/gala](http://www.FeedingIE.org/gala). Winners will be announced during the event program, which will also feature live classical music, a fabulous wine wall, desserts, and a moving, fun and emotional speech delivered by nationally recognized hunger advocate and marathon runner Jess Kurti.

**The 2018 Million Meals Gala is limited to 200 seats. Register at [www.FeedingIE.org/gala](http://www.FeedingIE.org/gala).**

Please contact Sharon Rodriguez at 951-359-4757 or [srodriguez@feedingamericaie.org](mailto:srodriguez@feedingamericaie.org) with questions.



## SKILLED VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT THE FOOD BANK



Volunteering is more than the act of donating your time, it is the act of sharing your talents and skills!

Do you have a unique or valued skill that you would like to share at the food bank?

Please contact Sharon Rodriguez at [srodriguez@feedingamericaie.org](mailto:srodriguez@feedingamericaie.org) or dial 951-359-4757 ext. 128.

## FARSB OPENS FIRST FOOD DISTRIBUTION HUB



FARSB is proud to announce the opening of the first food hub distribution center serving the High Desert!

This brand new program in Hesperia, CA benefits 16 of our partner agencies by providing easier access to nutritional resources, without the more than 120-mile round trip drive to the FARSB warehouse in Riverside, CA.

## C.R. ENGLAND TO PROVIDE ONE MILLION MEALS



C.R. England, one of the nation's leaders in transportation solutions, has launched the One Initiative, a corporate effort designed to provide one million meals annually to hungry children in different communities.

With the One Initiative, each time a truck delivers to a customer in the Inland Empire, C.R. England donates a meal to FARSB!

## FARSB STAFF GIVES BACK



Recently, our team spent an afternoon feeding children at one of our Kid's Produce Market's (KPM's). With over 30 staff members all playing different roles in the food bank, ranging from Finance to Distribution, many were able to, for the first time, see how their hard work played a role in feeding our community. Smiling faces and polite "thank you's" showed us just how much our dedication means to those around us.

## THANK YOU TO OUR NEW \$25/MONTH MEALS FOR MANY ADVOCATES



Aaron H.  
Angelica B.  
Camille P.  
Charla R.  
Charles R.  
Charlotte C.  
Cheryl W.  
Donna C.  
Eleanor G.  
Esther H.

Frankie C.  
Gale S.  
Jeffrey G.  
Jennifer O.  
Jennifer P.  
Jeralyn S.  
John T.  
John K.  
Kacy C.  
Karen N.

Kellie R.K.  
Kenneth G.  
Kenneth S.  
Khai N.  
Lenore F.  
Linda McD.  
Lori A.  
Lori B.  
Margaret F.  
Michael McC.

Michael K.  
Paul L.  
Phyllis W.  
RuthAnn G.  
Sean V. R.  
Simon McN.  
Sukh M.  
Urmi V.  
Wes & Linda S.  
Willie M.





Learn how you can join the Meals for Many Club at just \$10/month! [www.FeedingIE.org/donate](http://www.FeedingIE.org/donate)



FeedingIE.org | (951) 359-4757  
Feeding America Riverside | San Bernardino Counties  
2950-A Jefferson St.  
Riverside, CA 92504



### Get Social!

-  @feedingamericaie
-  @feedingie
-  facebook.com/feedingamericaie
-  linkedin.com/company/18272547/

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

- Sept. 15- Oct. 15    **Hunger Is Campaign**  
Albertsons, Vons, and Pavilions Stores  
Give at the register.
- Oct- Nov    **Give a Meal Campaign**  
Bank of America  
Donate \$1, Bank of America donates 2 more!  
www.BankofAmerica.com/give  
Call (951) 359-4757 x.128 to have your gift  
matched by Bank of America.  
Open to all card-holders, in addition to Bank of America.
- Nov. 1- Dec. 31    **Harvesting Hope Campaign**  
Stater Bros. Markets  
Purchase in-store donation cards, drop-off nonperishable  
foods, and give at the register.
- Nov. 17    **Under the Harvest Moon- Gala for a Million Meals**  
La Villa Bella San Antonio, 6:00 - 9:30 p.m.  
792 W. Arrow Hwy. B, Upland, CA 91786  
Tickets available at www.FeedingIE.org/gala
- Nov. 27    **Giving Tuesday**  
Support your local food bank on the global day of giving.  
www.GivingTuesday.org
- Nov. 27- Dec 31    **Month of a Million Meals Campaign**  
Barons Market  
Give at the register.
- Dec 2    **Empty Bowls**  
Riverside Art Museum, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
3425 Mission Inn Avenue, Riverside, CA 92501
- Dec. 7    **KTLA5 Take 5 to Care Live Food Drive**  
Stater Brothers, 6989 Schaefer Ave., Chino, CA 91710

## FARSB WINS BEST OF INLAND EMPIRE COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD



Feeding America Riverside | San Bernardino was recently awarded The Press-Enterprise Best of Inland Empire Community Service Award!

With over 60,000 votes across 160 categories, we are extremely grateful to have been considered for this category. We are honored and grateful for the nomination, and the support of all of you.

FARSB works hard every day to ensure that we are serving as the most-efficient hunger relief organization in the Inland Empire. In fact, for every dollar donated, 98 cents goes to food distribution programs, ensuring that your donation is directly supporting the cause that matters most to you.

Thank you for continuing to help support 400,000 struggling neighbors put food on the table.

We can't do what we do without you!

www.FeedingIE.org