

KNOW HUNGER

Our Mission is to Alleviate Hunger in the Inland Empire

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New programs, new campaigns, and new opportunities to feed the IE



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CEO CORNER



Dear Friends,

I'm happy to announce that we launched our first Tools for Teachers program in February and distributed over 1,400 lbs. of free school supplies to more than 50 teachers in the Inland Empire! What a joy it was to see the thankful faces of the many hardworking teachers and deserving students throughout our community! This program is one of many new programs that we hope to continue and expand upon throughout this next year.

Did you know that for the past 3 years we have operated more than 200 Kids Produce Markets in elementary schools throughout the Inland Empire? Every month, during the school year, we bring truckloads of fresh produce, with items such as apples, broccoli, kale, watermelons, oranges, and so much more! This farmers' market shopping experience is a wonderful, learning opportunity for our kids and teaches them about healthy eating and nutrition. In addition, they get to have fun and take a full bag of nutritious, healthy food home to Mom and Dad!

It is through the generous support we receive from our donors and volunteers that we are able to offer such amazing programs, like our Tools for Teachers and Kids Produce Markets, which are a vital and crucial resource for many in our community. Please consider becoming a monthly advocate for our services. Just \$10 a month can help to sustain our wonderful programs that benefit so many.

www.FeedingIE.org/monthly-giving-program

Here at FARSB we never take your support for granted! We realize you have many choices for investing your time and support and we are thankful that you choose to partner with us!

With Joy,

Stephanie Otero

President/CEO & Hunger Advocate



ROAD TRIP TO HUNGER RELIEF



As a native from the sunshine state, Jess Kurti has embarked on a journey throughout the country to volunteer at all 200 Feeding America food banks while running a marathon in each state she visits.

With thousands of miles traveled and volunteer hours logged, FARSB was her 177th stop in the food bank network. During her volunteer shift, Jess sorted through donated food items to prepare them for distribution. She made a tremendous impact amongst both staff and volunteers by sharing her stories, her experience, and lessons learned throughout her journey.

Jess's desire is to lead a servant life. Her belief that hunger is a solvable problem has pushed her to continue the mission she began just a few years ago. We hope she takes our community's stories on the road with her as she continues her national endeavors!

NEW VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



FARSB is proud to be partnering with the California Citrus State Historic Park (CCSHP) for a cleaning and gleaning event on Earth Day April 22, 2018!

Registered volunteers will enjoy a unique opportunity to provide fresh, delicious citrus to neighbors in need.

Volunteers will also play an integral role in aiding to preserve the vanishing cultural citrus landscape that began with two simple navel orange trees in 1873.

Steven and Megan from CCSHP are excited to welcome FARSB Hunger Heroes for the first of hopefully many more opportunities to give back to the community through education, outdoor participation, and food security initiatives.

This first event is already filled, so be sure to check our site for more cleaning and gleaning opportunities to come!

THE FUTURE OF FARSB: COMMUNITY HUBS

FARSB continues to expand, build, and create programs to feed those in need and ultimately end hunger forever.

A big part of our expansion is aimed towards lifting our neighbors from hunger to health through the distribution of more nutritious food in efficient ways.

Coming soon is the development of a centralized distribution site to deliver food more cost-effectively.

Our first target is the underserved region of the High Desert.

Stay tuned for exciting developments!



HOST A FOOD DRIVE & JOIN US AT ABC7'S STUFF-A-TRUCK

The summer months are fast approaching, and this summer we need your help!

As you know, summer hunger is an issue many children in the IE face. Students are out of school which means free and reduced lunches are no longer available, and holiday giving campaigns have long been forgotten.

Over the next few months, we are asking the community, local businesses, colleges, organizations, and teams to host food drives on our behalf to help fuel our summer giving efforts.

Teams and individuals committing to host food drives are invited to bring donations out to the ABC7 Stuff-A-Truck event at Mathis Brothers in Ontario on 6/15/18 from 5:30 am-7:00 pm, where we will be collecting donations with the ABC7 crew on-site throughout the day.

To sign up for your 2018 Feed SoCal Food Drive and receive additional details and instructions, head to: www.FeedingIE.org/abc7-food-drive.



FARSB is partnering with Walmart once again this year for the Fight Hunger. Spark Change. campaign, which will take place April 2 – April 30, 2018.

Walmart's Fight Hunger. Spark Change. campaign is Feeding America's largest cause marketing campaign. Last year's campaign raised more than \$18.5 million to benefit local food banks.

You can support this effort and feed more families in need by visiting your local Walmart location and purchasing select products, making a donation at the register, and posting on social media with #FightHungerSparkChange.



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MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

April 2-30

Walmart's Fight Hunger, Spark Change
 Between April 1 and April 30, 2018, online acts of support, purchase of participating products, register donations, and Discover transactions help provide meals to local food banks. Join Walmart and support FARSB!

April 9-May 11

Rhythm Restoration Food Drive
 Caliber Collision will once again be hosting their annual Rhythm Restoration food drive in order to support children facing hunger during the summer. Head to your local Caliber Collision to bring a donation by, or donate via CaliberDonates.com.

April 22

Volunteer Sunday Gleaning Project
 In partnership with the Citrus State Historic Park, we will be hosting our first gleaning project, which will include cleaning the citrus park and picking oranges from trees for the local food bank to distribute. Volunteer spots are currently filled, so please continue to check our site for details on future opportunities.

April 28

Volunteer Appreciation Celebration
 If you've volunteered in the past year, look forward to an e-invite to our Volunteer Appreciation Celebration taking place on April 28, 2018. This special event will include food, games, prizes, and a recognition opportunity for all of your hard work!

May 24

Red Nose Day
 The national fundraising campaign to end child poverty, Red Nose Day, will return to NBC with a night of special primetime programming on Thursday, May 24, 2018.

Join the Meals for Many Monthly Giving Club and feed families all year!

Supporter
\$10+

- Less FARSB mail
- Advance invitations to FARSB events
- Invitation to Donor Appreciation Event
- Copy of Annual Report
- Knowing you're providing 90 meals to neighbors in need every month

Advocate
\$25+

- Less FARSB mail
- Advance invitations to FARSB events
- Invitation to Donor Appreciation Event
- Copy of Annual Report
- Recognition in quarterly newsletter
- Knowing you're providing 225 meals to neighbors in need every month

Friend
\$50+

- Less FARSB mail
- Advance invitations to FARSB events
- Invitation to Donor Appreciation Event
- Recognition in quarterly newsletter
- Copy of Annual Report
- First to receive Annual Tax Statements
- Knowing you're providing 450 meals to neighbors in need every month

Champion
\$100+

Includes previous level perks PLUS:

- Exclusive volunteer opportunities
- Private food bank tour and breakfast with the CEO
- Recognition in Annual Report
- Copy of Annual Report
- Exclusive "Champion" rates on all special events
- Knowing you're providing 900 meals to neighbors in need every month