



*Rescuing Fresh Food For Metro Detroit's Hungry*

# FACTS

## Mission Statement

We are dedicated to relieving hunger in metro Detroit and preventing nutritious food waste.

## Our Founder

Founded in 1990 by Dr. Nancy Fishman who rescued and distributed food from the back of her Jeep to feed the hungry.

## The Need

It's estimated that food insecurity in the tri-county area affected over 558,000 people (or 14.4% of the total population) in 2020 and that 21.1% of children in the tri-county area were food insecure in 2020. In the City of Detroit, nearly 50% of children under age 18 live in poverty.

## Millions of Pounds Rescued

Forgotten Harvest has rescued millions of pounds of food from nearly 580 food donor locations. The food is donated free of charge by farms, manufacturers, dairies, food distributors, grocers and entertainment venues and it is distributed free to those in need of food. We rescued over 42 million pounds last year alone.

## Forgotten Harvest Rescue Fleet

On the road five days a week, our fleet of 50 units distributes food throughout the 2,000 square mile tri-county area of Macomb, Oakland and Wayne Counties.

## Food Distribution Partners

We serve as a lifeline of support to over 200 emergency food providers: food pantries, shelters, soup kitchens and faith-based organizations.

## Volunteers

Last year (FY2021-2022), over 14,386 individuals contributed 48,957 hours of volunteer service to Forgotten Harvest. Volunteers are the important workforce that make our mission possible and help us prepare food for distribution daily at our warehouse and help harvest produce at Forgotten Harvest Farms.

## Forgotten Harvest Farms

Forgotten Harvest Farms was established in 2013 on land donated for our use by the Moroun family. During the 2020-2021 growing season, the farm grew over 440,000 pounds of nutritious vegetables with the support of 4 staff members and 2,900 volunteers.

## \$1 Provides \$7 dollars worth of groceries

Forgotten Harvest is one of America's most efficient food rescue organizations. \$1 provides \$7 of food for those in need or about 4 meals.



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