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23% food insecurity rate (67% increase over 2019)

378,782 (27% increase) food insecure people

135,132 (47% increase) food insecure children

81,601,023 lbs. food distributed

68,000,853 meals provided (93% increase)

Over 16,000 served April – Sept. via Home Delivery

433 Mobile Pantries

Foods to Encourage: 80%

Fresh Produce

37.8 million lbs.

of fresh fruits and vegetables distributed in 2020

School-Based Pantries

2,677,504 meals provided

SNAP Outreach

1,310 applications submitted

781,107 meals attributed to SNAP outreach

Cynthia H. Hubert Community Cupboard

7.4 million meals provided

(3x more than 2019)

is now the largest pantry in the state

Agency Partners

218 agencies and community centers helped to distribute

34 million meals

Nutrition Outreach

GleanersNutritionHub.org, Summer Nutrition Club, training for medical professionals
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