

BMAC:

FOOD BANK



LAST YEAR, THE BMAC FOOD BANK



**Distributed nearly
3 million pounds
of food across five
counties**



**Supplied clients
with 6,000 meals
daily via partner
pantries like The
Salvation Army and
St. Frances Cabrini**



**Provided 11,000
weekend meals to
eligible local students
through our Backpack
Bridge program**



**Partnered in
community-led food
drives to raise 37,567
pounds of food**

DID YOU KNOW?



Demand for BMAC Food Bank services has grown 200% since 2020.



1 in 4 Washingtonians visited a food pantry last year.

WHAT IS A FOOD BANK?

The BMAC Food Bank is our region's central food hub, receiving, storing, and distributing food to partner pantries across Franklin, Walla Walla, Columbia, Garfield, and Asotin counties. We provide large-scale food purchasing, storage, and delivery, enabling local pantries to distribute meals directly to individuals and families in need.

WHAT IS A FOOD PANTRY?

A food pantry is a food distribution center, where individuals and families can receive food. Every year, the BMAC Food Bank partners with 13 pantries across five counties.



WHY DOES THE BMAC FOOD BANK MATTER?

We Fight Hunger:

By providing a reliable source of food, the BMAC Food Bank plays a vital role in addressing hunger and food insecurity in our region. We help individuals and families get the nutritious food they need, to help them thrive.

We Save Money:

Our bulk purchasing power and partnerships mean that every dollar goes 30% further through the BMAC Food Bank than through retail. Plus, our gleaning efforts and community partnerships rescue over 300,000 pounds of food each year from grocery stores, farms and gardens.

We Are Stronger Together:

Through partnerships with local businesses, farms, orchards, grocery stores, community groups, and volunteers, we're able to respond effectively to local needs and put resources back into our community. Together we collaborate to reduce duplication, increase efficiency, and strengthen our collective ability to assist our neighbors in need.



WAYS TO SUPPORT THE BMAC FOOD BANK:

Donate Funds:

Help us fight hunger year-round. A one-time gift can provide immediate support to a family in need, but a monthly recurring donation ensures consistent support empowering our neighbors to build self-sufficiency and long-term stability. By giving regularly, you play a vital role in creating lasting change in our community. To make a donation, scan the QR code:



Donate Now ↗

Donate Food Items:

The BMAC Food Bank welcomes donations of shelf-stable food items such as canned vegetables, fruits, and meats, as well as on-the-go snacks such as granola bars, jerkins, etc. For a list of shelf-stable food items always needed, see our "Food Bank Staples" list.

Host A Food Drive:

If you and your friends or business would like to conduct a food drive, we can help set you up for success with our "DIY Food Drive Kit."

Advocate:

If you'd like to raise your voice in support of ending hunger in our communities, please email us, and we'll connect you with our advocacy efforts.

QUESTIONS? Contact Blue Mountain Action Council by calling 509-529-4980 or by emailing info@bmacww.org.

TO CONTACT THE BMAC FOOD BANK: Call 509-529-3561 or email food@bmacww.org.