



**WE'RE ON A MISSION
TO ALLEVIATE FOOD
INSECURITY FOR
INDIVIDUALS AND
FAMILIES IN THE
AKRON AREA**

**GOOD
SAMARITAN**



HUNGER CENTER

SERVING SINCE 1982

**2021
YEAR IN REVIEW**

Good Samaritan Hunger Center (GSHC) was the vision of Sister Jordan Haddad, a Dominican Sister of Peace who passed away in 2006. Sister Jordan was fierce in her fight to garner love and respect for the poor. She founded GSHC in 1982 with the vision that “one day no man, woman or child would go hungry”. Today, GSHC continues to honor the legacy of Sister Jordan Haddad by working to alleviate poverty in Akron and the surrounding communities.

Dishing up love



Sister Jordan Haddad works at Kent Social Services to provide a place for the needy to receive a meal and groceries. PHOTOGRAPH BY PAT JAFFRETT | DAILY KENT STATES

OUR FOUNDER

GSHC TODAY

**ACROSS OUR COMBINED
PROGRAMS, WE SERVED
25,967 INDIVIDUALS IN
2021**



Good Samaritan Hunger Center has expanded its programming over the last 40 years to reflect the community's evolving needs. Today, it functions as a pop-up pantry, taking its services directly to communities that need it most, and meeting people where they are. Our key programs in 2021 included:

- **Weekly Food Distribution:** In 2021, GSHC administered 356,527 pounds of packaged food and 115,246 pounds of produce across 5 locations in the Akron area. Each distribution consists of a three-five day food supply.
- **Kid's Bag Program:** Volunteers meet every Wednesday to assemble bags filled with food for school students for the weekend. The students served by this program rely heavily on the food served in school, and therefore may go hungry during the weekend. In 2021, we increased the number of schools served from 7 to 12, representing a total of 8,741 children served.
- **Senior Box Program:** Senior boxes (Commodity Supplemental Food Program - CSFP) are distributed once a month to seniors who are 60+ and meet income guidelines. These boxes provide an additional 30 lbs of food for seniors. In 2021, we distributed approximately 420 of these boxes.

OUR IMPACT

2021



76,662

Number of meals provided through Kids Bag program



~98%

% of every dollar that supported feeding people



420

Number of Senior Boxes distributed



471,773

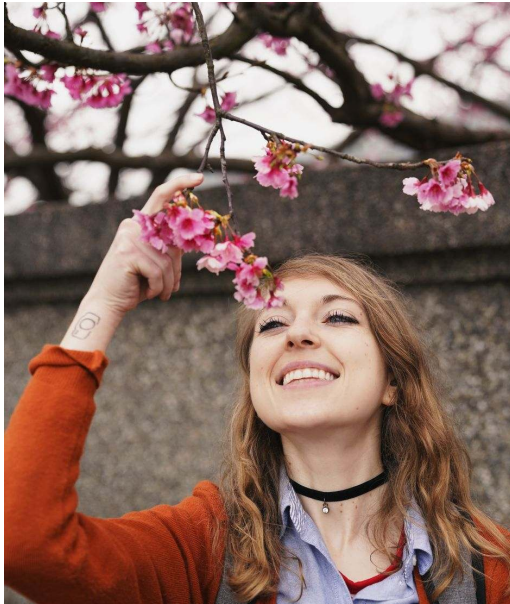
Pounds of food & produce distributed



6,180

Number of volunteer hours

CUSTOMER SPOTLIGHT



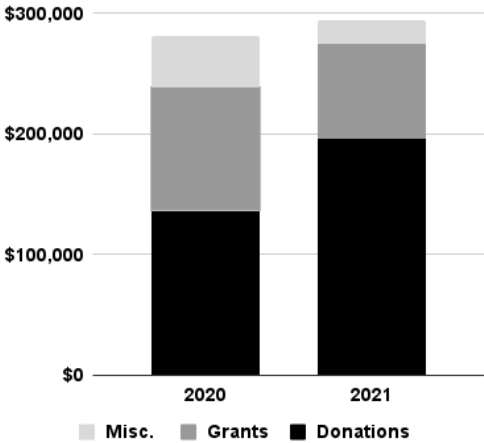
"I am so grateful for having found the Good Samaritan Hunger Center," said Megan W., a customer of GSHC in Akron. "I moved to Akron last year, at a time when my finances were in a tight position. I found GSHC via a Google search and went to a grocery distribution at Ed Davis Community Center. In just a year's time, the food provided by GSHC has not only helped me make ends meet, but has provided me with the opportunity to try a variety of foods, discover some great local parks, and meet some new friends."

Megan W.

Customer of GSHC

THANK YOU

SOURCES OF REVENUE 2020-2021



"For 40 years, the Good Samaritan Hunger Center has been an advocate for those facing food insecurity in our community by providing opportunities to be fed throughout Akron.

Thanks to your generosity, in the last year, more than 25,000 individuals received services and support to alleviate food insecurity from Good Samaritan Hunger Center. With your support, we continue to impact the community in a positive way.

As we celebrate our 40th year, we will be taking on a newer, refreshed look that will encourage those who need our assistance to seek us. Your gift to us will help us continue to make a difference in our community, and together, we can help individuals and families in the Akron area breathe a little easier."

Michele Smith
Executive Director



LOOKING AHEAD 2022

OUR GOALS

- Increase our level of service as the number of people who face food insecurity increases
- Expand fresh and healthy produce offerings
- Increase fundraising and grant writing to meet the elevated needs of our community

OUR CHALLENGES

- Rising food and overhead costs associated with broad-based inflation
- Additional volunteers and an increase in recurring donations are needed to meet higher service levels



THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!



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Please contact Michele Smith at (330) 864-8520 if you would like to make a planned gift or have any questions.

