



HAYS COUNTY FOOD BANK

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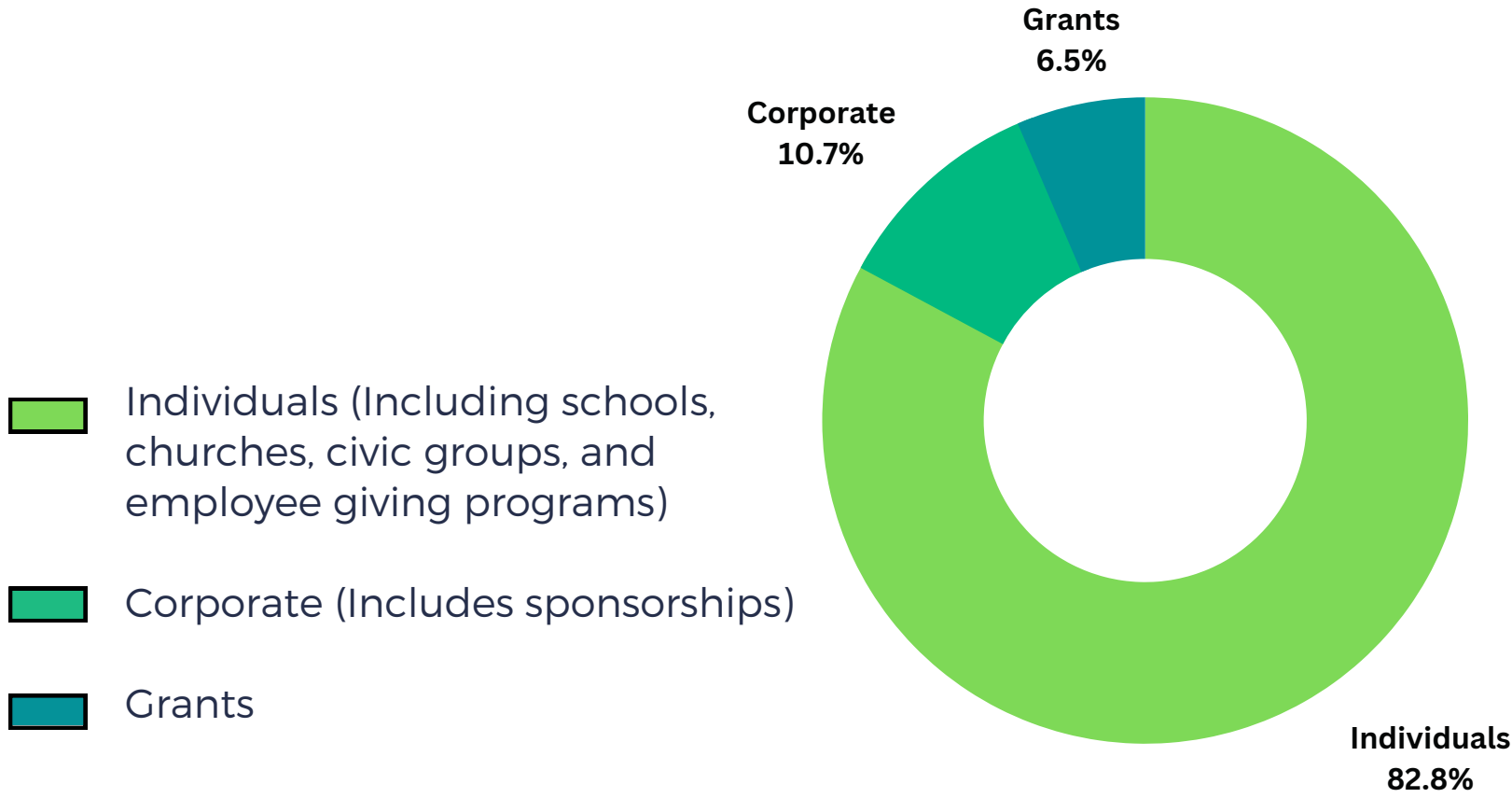
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Food Bank Funding in 2022



HOW THE FOOD BANK RECEIVED FOOD IN 2022

82.8%

of food came through partnership with Central Texas Food Bank

12.7%

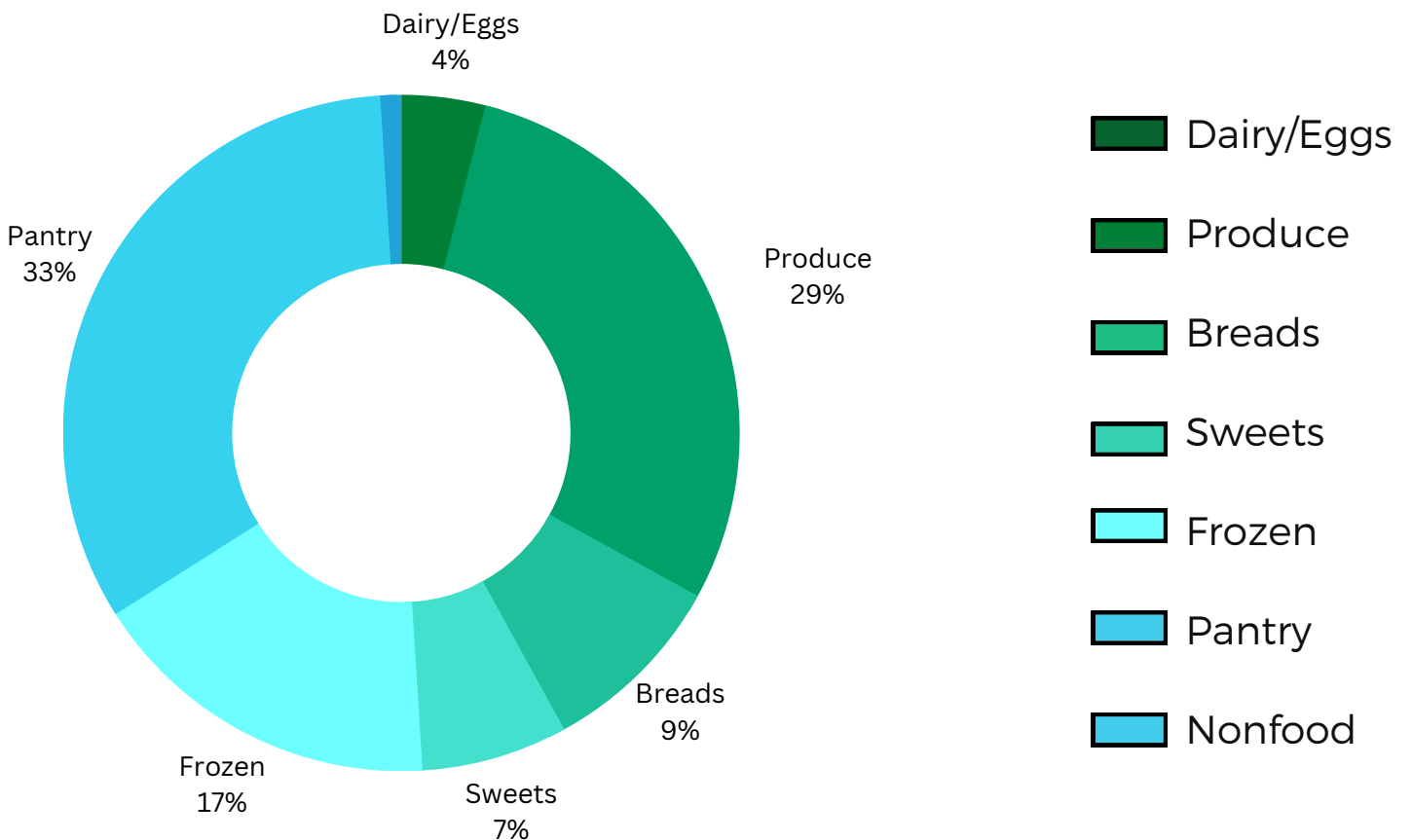
of food came from community donations

4.4%

of food was purchased

Foods Distributed

(a breakdown of the different types of food distributed)



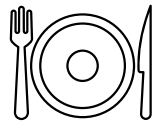
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COMMUNITY IMPACT REPORT

Approximately 1 in 7 people in Hays County are considered food insecure. At the last estimate, this means more than 25,000 residents, which includes 7,300 children, do not know when they will have their next meal. Over the past year, inflation and the lingering effects of the pandemic have made this situation worse.



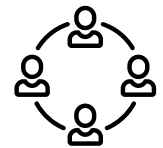
Distributed **1,176,972** pounds of food in 2022.



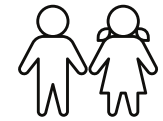
Provided **932,354** meals to neighbors in need.



48,521 households served.



Collaborated with **26** other last mile sites fighting hunger to reach even more people in need.



1,427 children and their households were helped through school pantries that received food at no cost.



388,439 pounds of perishable food distributed. This includes vegetables, fruits, and dairy items.



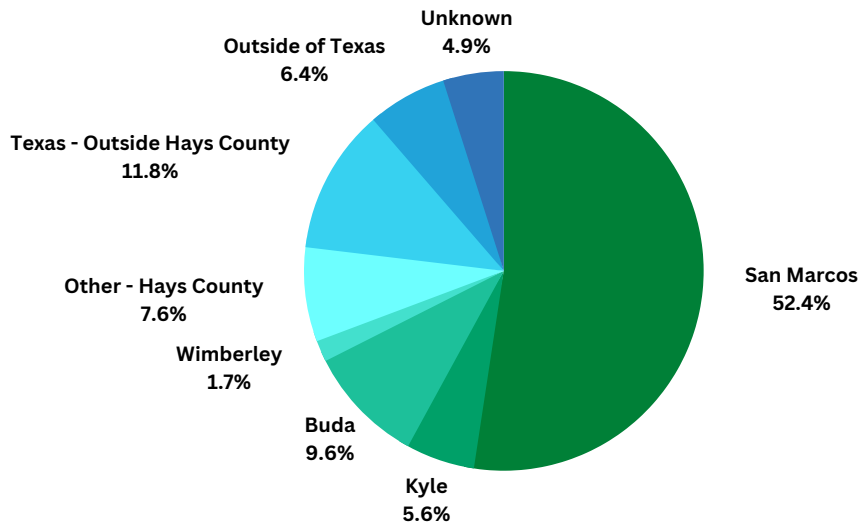
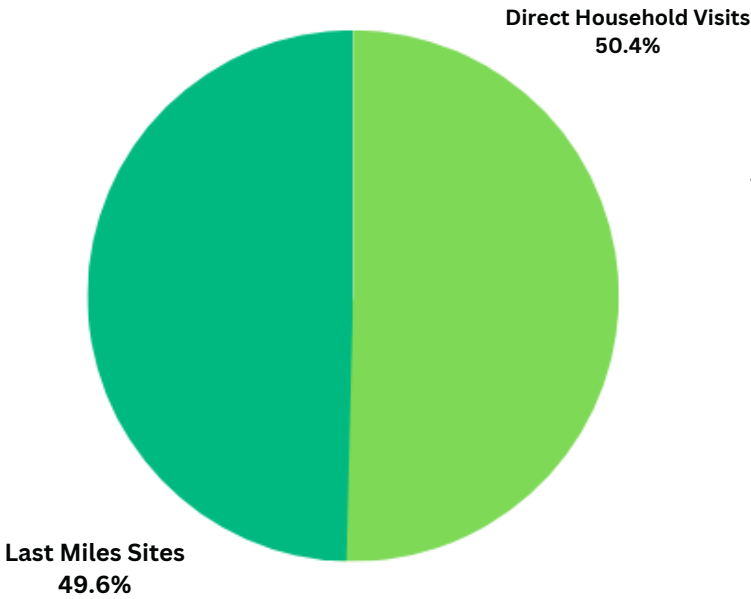
29,374 lbs. of food waste was donated to local farms and gardens to be used as animal feed and composting.



13,829 hours given by volunteers and **2,262** volunteers donated time.

Direct Services & Last Mile Sites

Monetary Donations by Location



Under updated guidelines from Central Texas Food Bank, we now require all household information from Last Miles Sites, formerly known as partners, which is a notable change from previous years. This has increased our accuracy in reporting how many households served by our Last Mile Sites.

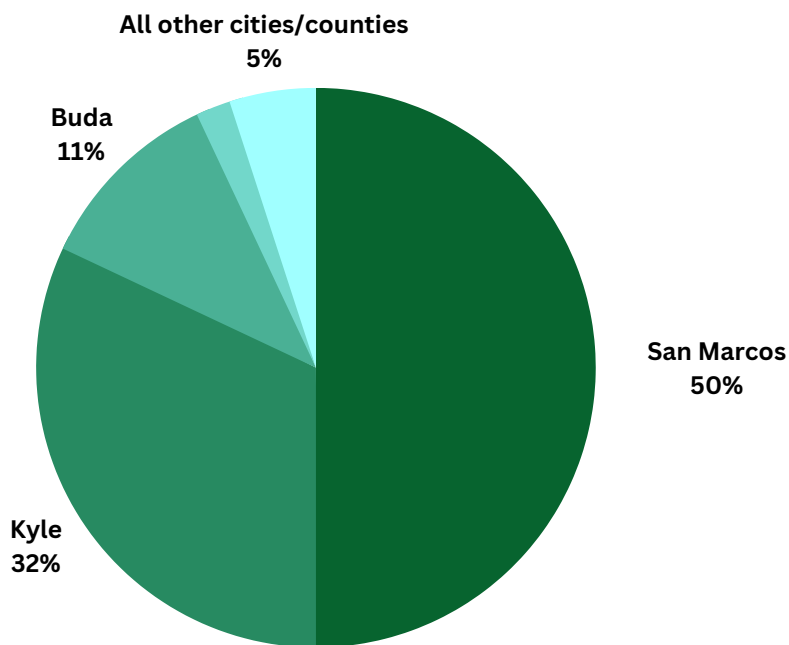
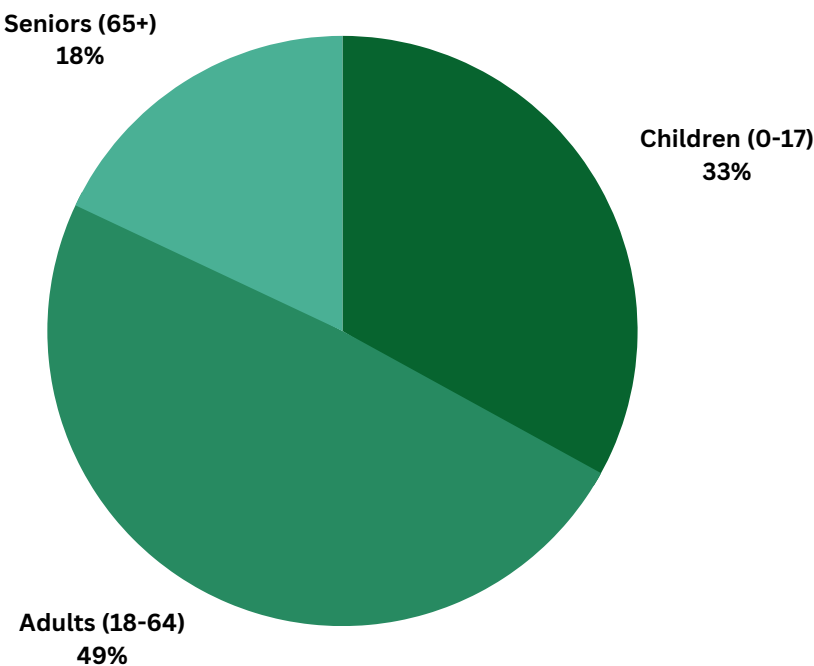
San Marcos continues to be a significant source of funding and support for Hays County Food Bank. More residents realize the vital importance of the food bank as we expand our efforts and we hope to grow throughout the other areas we serve.

Some Last Mile Sites have seen increases this year due to their accessibility: smaller lines, greater variety, etc. Some sites even offer home deliveries.

We still see a dramatic gap between the support offered by Kyle and the help provided in that area. While a third of our direct clients served live in Kyle with more served through our Last Mile Sites, monetary donations from that area account for only 5.6% of our total funding.

Age of Direct Clients Served

Location of Direct Clients Served



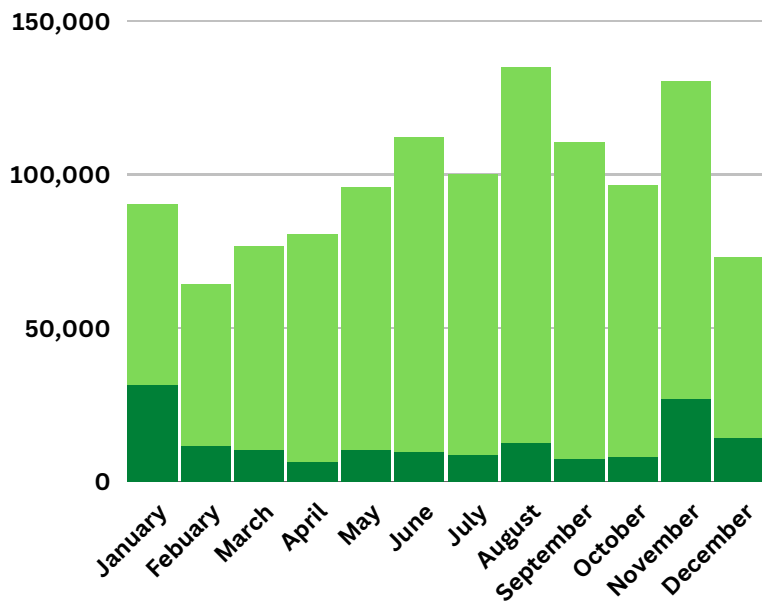
We did not see a significant change in comparison to 2021. Adults who are 18-64 still account for the majority of clients served.

San Marcos and Kyle account for the largest population of clients served within Hays county. Additionally, there is an increase of clients served in Buda in comparison to 2021.

This data is only reflective of our direct services, although we expect to report for all services in 2023. Our distribution collaborators have begun to collect this information for all households who receive food from Last Mile Sites.

5% of all direct clients served came from outside of Hays County, mostly from Caldwell, Guadalupe, and Travis counties.

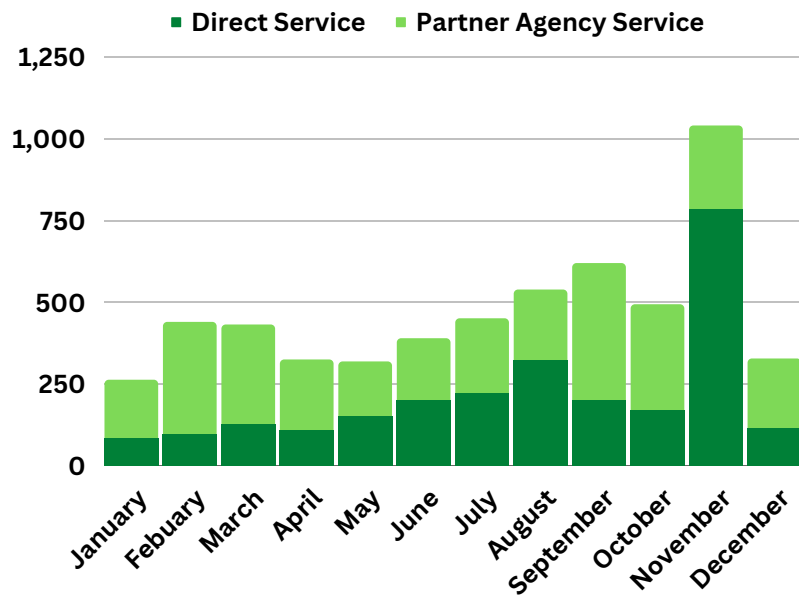
Food Donations by Month



More than 1.1 million pounds of food were donated in 2022, a trend that continued from 2021. The majority of food donated comes through our partnership with Central Texas Food Bank. This partnership allows the food bank to rescue food from multiple grocery stores to ensure a continuous flow of perishable foods.

Community donations provide the majority of shelf-stable food. The food bank saw a significant increase in community donations in August, as schools came back from the summer break.

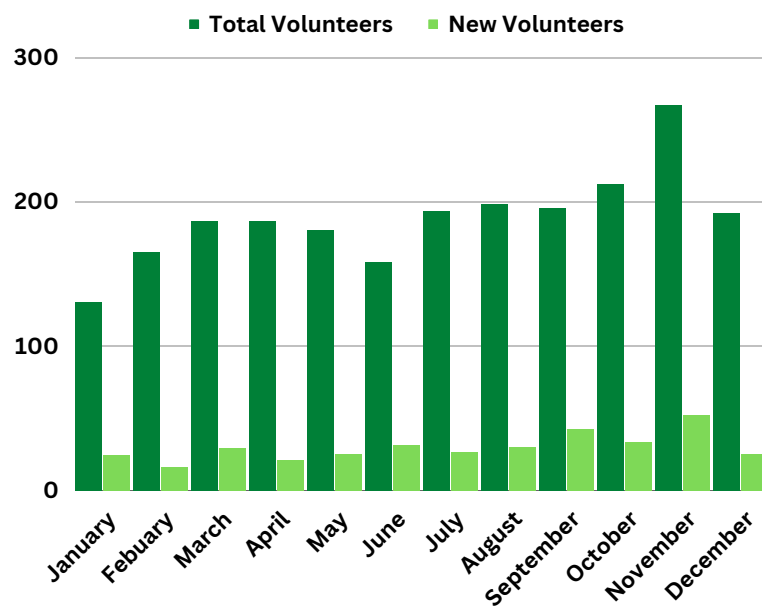
New Households per Month



The increase in new clients served from June to September reflects onboarding partners to the new client intake process, so some households appear "new", but only because the household had never attended one of our public distributions.

Our own direct services saw a large jump due to Turkeys Tackling Hunger, reaching an additional 1,000 new households in the month of November.

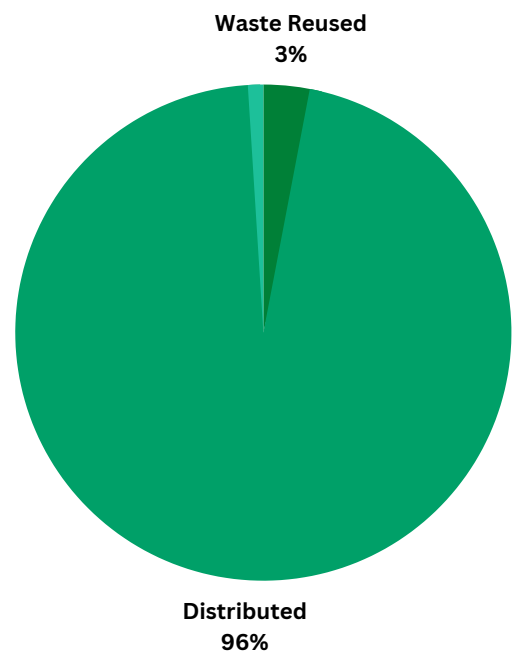
Volunteers By Number



Volunteers play a vital role at the food bank. Fortunately, we saw an increase in volunteer numbers from 2021, due to the social distancing ordinance being lifted.

During the month of November, there was a greater need for volunteers for our annual Turkeys Tackling Hunger meal box distributions, leading to a big increase of volunteers during this month.

Ending Food Waste



The food bank is passionate about fighting food waste. We work to ensure all rescued food is given to locals in need or reused at local farms.

96% of rescued food made it straight into the hands of people in need. 3% of the rescued food would have been thrown out as unfit for food, but was instead used as compost, animal feed, and energy by local farmers and gardeners. We hope to find even more neighbors who can transform trash into treasure.