



# GREAT PLAINS FOOD BANK



DeShawn and her granddaughter, Elena

# ENDING HUNGER TOGETHER IN YOUR COMMUNITY

For over 40 years, the Great Plains Food Bank has been a **lifeline for families** and individuals facing hunger as the **only food bank** serving all of North Dakota and Clay County, Minnesota. Our unique position allows us to evaluate, serve, and respond to the evolving needs of communities across the entire region. With a statewide reach and a deep understanding of **local solutions**, we are committed to **ending hunger today, tomorrow and for good.**

## GREAT PLAINS FOOD BANK OUR PARTNERS

### VOLUNTEERS

15,000 hours are shared. 5000 people of all ages sort, re-pack, label, build food boxes, and help distribute this food statewide.

### FINANCIAL DONORS

Food for 20 meals is provided for every \$10 gifted. Individuals, businesses, churches, foundations, and government entities invest their resources.

### FOOD INDUSTRY

15 million pounds of food are sourced and rescued. Growers, processors, manufacturers and retailers donate food that would otherwise go to waste.

### PARTNER NETWORK

Nutritious food supplied by the Great Plains Food Bank is then distributed by 185 food pantries, shelters and soup kitchens operating in 105 communities.

## NEIGHBORS

The 1 in 6 neighbors facing food insecurity are at the center of our work.

# LOCAL IMPACT



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Today, the GREAT PLAINS FOOD BANK provides food for

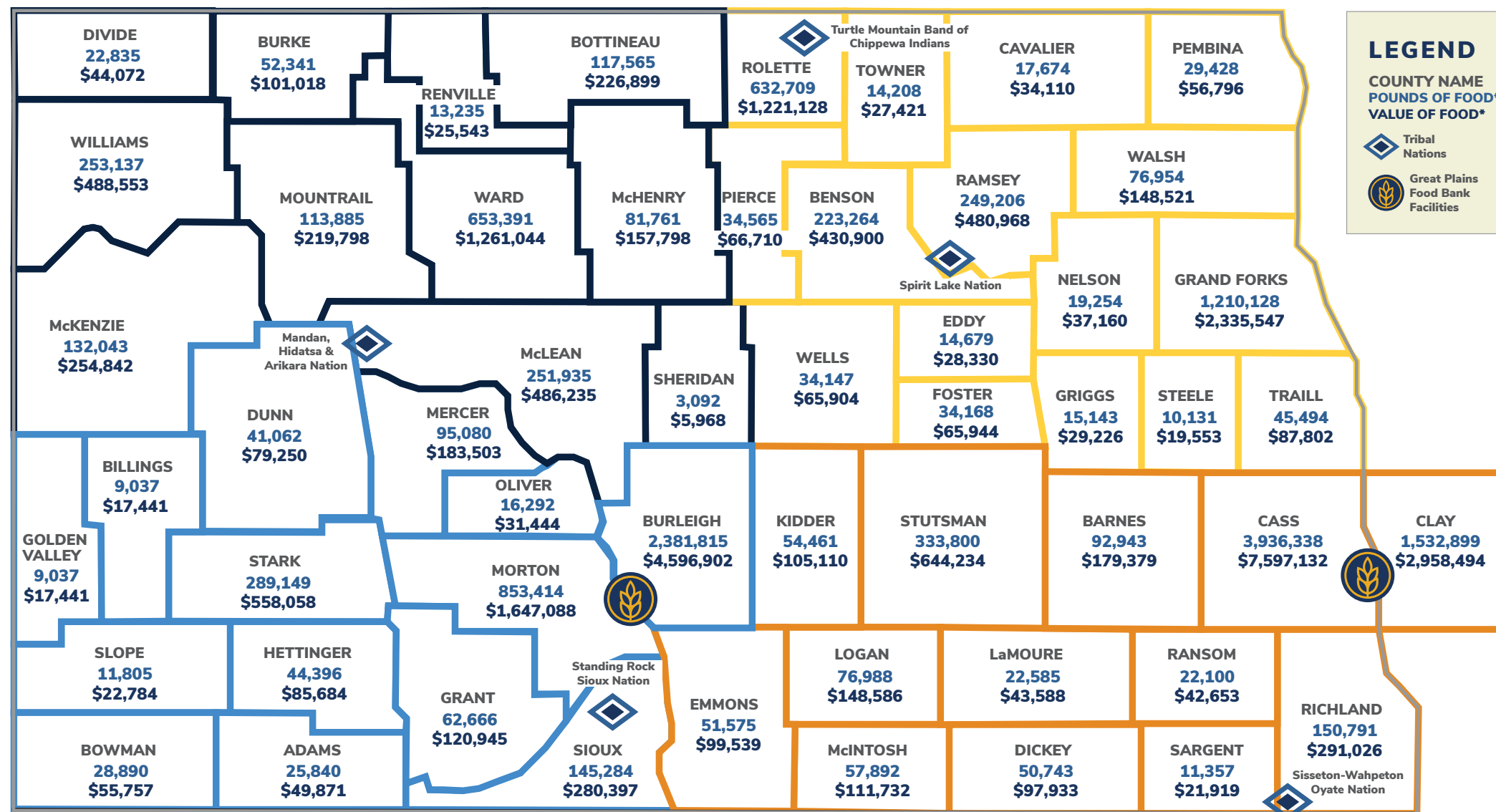
## 12.8 MILLION MEALS ANNUALLY

**185**  
GREAT PLAINS  
FOOD BANK  
partner agencies  
operating in  
**105**  
communities



**88%**  
of all food that moves through  
the statewide partner agency  
network is sourced and/  
or facilitated by the GREAT  
PLAINS FOOD BANK

## GREAT PLAINS FOOD BANK SERVICE AREA



**LEGEND**

COUNTY NAME  
POUNDS OF FOOD\*  
VALUE OF FOOD\*

Tribal Nations

Great Plains Food Bank Facilities

### DIRECT SERVICE PROGRAMS

The Great Plains Food Bank's direct service programs are dedicated to **filling gaps, reducing barriers, and increasing access to nutritious food** for those in need. Through innovation and hunger prevention efforts, we create solutions that reach underserved populations and unserved communities.

Our work is strengthened by invaluable community partnerships and champions, whose support allows us to make a meaningful impact and bring hope to every corner of our service area. **Together, we are nourishing neighbors, strengthening communities, and ensuring systems leave no one behind.**

### GREAT PLAINS FOOD BANK DIRECT SERVICE PROGRAMS

	SW	NW	NE	SE
BackPack Program	🍏	🍏	🍏	🍏
Youth Summer Meals	🍏	🍏	🍏	🍏
School Pantries	🍏	🍏	🍏	🍏
Mobile Food Pantry	🍏	🍏	🍏	🍏
Senior Food Pack Program	🍏	🍏	🍏	🍏
Wellness Pantries	🍏	🍏	🍏	🍏
Kitchen Coalition	🍏			🍏
SNAP Outreach	🍏	🍏	🍏	🍏
Cultural Food Pop-Up Distributions	🍏			🍏
Disaster Response	🍏	🍏	🍏	🍏
Tribal Elder Nourishment Box Program - Coming Soon				

\*Total pounds of fresh and shelf-stable food sourced and directly delivered by the Great Plains Food Bank to food pantries, shelters and soup kitchens operating within the county. Reporting period: July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024.

\*Calculation based on the estimated total wholesale value of Feeding America product donations at an average price of \$1.93 per gross pound for 29 product categories that comprise the donations. The Great Plains Food Bank is a partner food bank of Feeding America.

To learn more about these programs in your community, visit [GreatPlainsFoodBank.org](http://GreatPlainsFoodBank.org).

# OUR NEIGHBORS

145,409 INDIVIDUALS SERVED

**35%**  
CHILDREN



**15%**  
SENIORS



**14%**  
VETERANS



**13%**  
SINGLE  
CAREGIVERS

**1 IN 6**  
PEOPLE

**1 IN 4**  
CHILDREN



**75%**  
reported  
experiencing at  
least one chronic  
health condition.



**41%**  
attended college,  
trade school or hold  
an advanced degree.



**1 IN 3**  
do not have access to a  
**WORKING VEHICLE.**



Native American,  
American Indian and  
Alaska Native neighbors  
face hunger at  
**7X THE RATE**  
of other communities.

Data gleaned as part of *Hunger on the Plains 2023*, a study conducted by the Great Plains Food Bank. The full report and executive study can be found at [GreatPlainsFoodBank.org/HOTP](http://GreatPlainsFoodBank.org/HOTP).

John and his  
daughter, Riley



## HARVESTING HOPE

The Harvesting Hope campaign has a bold \$30.5 million goal to build the infrastructure, expand statewide programs, and develop the long-term sustainability needed to end hunger today, tomorrow and for good.

This campaign will enable us to **more than double** the amount of food distributed per year and **expand** and **strengthen** hunger-relief programs and services in **more communities**.

Hunger is a problem we can - and must - fix.  
**You are an important part of the solution.**

Your support will bring more than food to your neighbors, you will **harvest hope** for a brighter future where children, older adults and families **thrive. Join us!**

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