



Funds Distribution Report

Recipient Organization:
Sumner Community Food Bank

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Organization's General Goals:

The Sumner Community Food Bank is a non-profit organization that provides nutritious food with dignity to our neighbors in need through donations and the work of dedicated volunteers. Our mission is also to be good stewards of food surpluses, and increase public awareness on issues of hunger in our community. We partner with other food banks and charitable nonprofits to ensure that the needs of the community are met.

Date of Award:	Level:
2022 Q2	\$2,501 to \$5,000

For more information, please read the attached report from Sumner Community Food Bank.

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Sumner Community Food Bank

Letter from our Executive Director

As we say goodbye to 2022, there is much to be grateful for as we reflect on the past year of serving our great community. First and foremost, I must give thanks and praise to God who continues to provide servant hearts and daily provisions that enable the Sumner Community Food Bank to help those who are in need. I am thankful for the incredible staff who put in countless hours to make certain that every person who walks through our doors are cared for with dignity and respect. I am also thankful for our amazing team of volunteers, who selflessly and dependably donate hours of their precious time every week. They do so with soft hearts and compassionate spirits.

Last year brought new challenges not only for the people we serve, but to the organization as well. The biggest impact last year was inflation. The U.S. is currently experiencing higher-than-usual inflation, causing consumers to cut back where they can. This is where the food bank comes in. The demand for food bank services has increased by 300% over the last year. Our clients come from 44 different cities, and we partner with over 50 other food banks, pantries, and an assortment of outreach programs that we support across Pierce, King, and Thurston counties.

Along with serving a record number of households and clients last year, there were other notable accomplishments that were achieved.

- We installed solar panels on the foodbank through a PSE grant, reducing our energy consumption by 49%.
- We installed a HVAC system to keep our clients and volunteers comfortable.
- We expanded our truck fleet with the purchase of a 26-foot refrigerator truck, increasing our capacity & cold storage.
- We incorporated restaurant 'buzzers' for our clients, keeping people out of the wind and rain and allowing them to wait their turn, warm and dry in their vehicles.

These small steps of improvements are always on the front of our minds and the center of our hearts as we strive to achieve our mission of providing nutritious food with dignity to our neighbors in need. With the surging cost of goods across the board, families are struggling to make ends meet. With the high cost of inflation affecting everyone in our community, you can rest assured that the Sumner Community Food Bank is positioned to support as we always have.

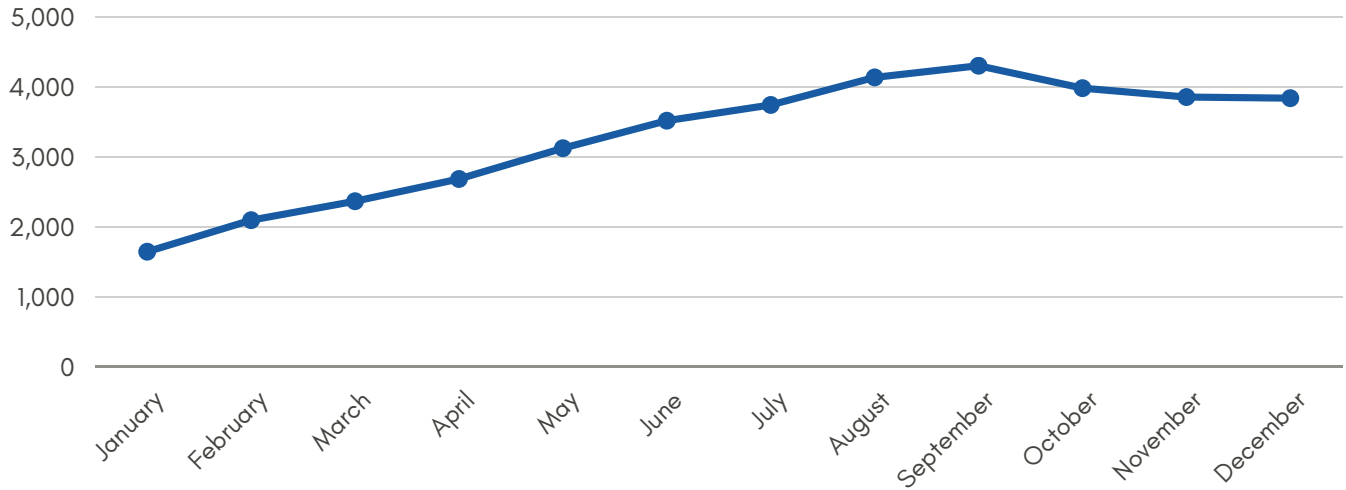
I am extremely thankful for all the community support we have received over the last year. Due to the amazing generosity of our donors, the outstanding network of suppliers, the incredible support from the community, and the tireless efforts of our volunteers, not one person walked away empty-handed. Without your donations of financial support and time in volunteering, we could not have met the needs of those who need our help the most. It is the purest form of community that I have ever been a part of.

In Humble Service,

Handwritten signature of Anthony Becker.

STATISTICS

CLIENTS SERVED OVER 2022



**3.1 MILLION lbs.
distributed**



**50+ partnerships with
food banks, pantries, &
outreach programs**

PROGRAMS



**Food Bank
Marketplace**

**1.4 MILLION meals
served through
our marketplace**



**Backpack
Program**

**900 weekend
backpacks a month
sent to local schools**



**Community
Resource Center**

**15+ community
partnerships to bring
resources to people**

“When I first used the Sumner food bank, I had never used a food bank before. My husband had kicked me out with nothing and nowhere to go. I went to the food bank with some friends. Everyone was so nice and when I told them what I was going through they made sure I had things like gloves, socks, an umbrella etc. It made me feel a lot less scared about my situation. I'm now getting back on my feet and the help I have received from the food bank has helped me by taking the worry of what I had to eat away. I could concentrate on finding work and finding housing. I will forever be grateful to them.”



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May 9th, 2023
Tulalip Tribes Charitable Fund
8802 27th Avenue NE
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Dear Marilyn Sheldon,

First of all, we wanted to say thank you again for the incredible generosity the Tulalip Tribe's Charitable Fund has shown through your support of the Sumner Community Food Bank. The grant award of [REDACTED] was so appreciated, and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

The 2022 grant we received from you was for the purpose of supporting our food bank Operations, which included building & vehicle costs, salary for our staff, and office & warehouse costs. As of May 2023, we have expended the awarded \$3,600 for these purposes. Thanks to this grant and other support like it, in 2022 we were able to:

- Distribute over 3 million pounds of donated food through our warehouse, which was distributed through our marketplace & to over 30 partner organizations in our area.
- Serve over 75 families a day, 6 days a week, for a total of almost 500 families assisted each week through our marketplace food bank.
- Provide over 8,000 weekend food backpacks to 9 local schools.

Your grant has directly impacted our over 15,000 total clients by making sure they have the healthy food needed to feed their families. However, your support in 2022 has also impacted another 35,000 people in our area through our partnerships with over 30 other food banks, pantries, and outreach organizations, with whom we share surplus food donations through our warehouse.

Thank you again for your caring hearts and partnership as we serve the common cause of feeding those in need!

Sincerely,

Anthony Apeles
Executive Director
Sumner Community Food Bank
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