



# Impact Report

Reducing Food Waste & Supporting Hunger Relief,  
One Bagel at a Time

Updated December 2025



**3.5M**

Bagels, Breads & Pastries  
Rescued



**84**

Bagel Shop & Bakery  
Donors



**300+**

Dedicated & Diligent  
Volunteers



**175+**

Partner Agencies  
Receiving Donations



**25K**

Meals Donated  
Weekly

13.5% of people in the US are experiencing food insecurity,  
including 14 million children. **Why?**

## Inflation

The rising cost of goods and services, including food, healthcare, and housing, is draining household incomes.

## Financial Assistance

Benefits for food and other services are dwindling + the working poor cannot qualify for funding.

## Food Supply

Due to increased food prices, food banks and food pantries are unable to keep up the the surge in demand.

**We meet people when and where they are to be a food resource to all.**

Meanwhile, **38% of of the US food supply goes to waste.**  
That's approximately 100 billion pounds of food a year.

## Food Decomposition

Food waste in landfills breaks down quickly and releases methane gas that contributes to global warming.

## Energy

All of the energy that goes into our food is wasted if the food is thrown away. This energy can instead fuel someone's potential.

## Food Rescue

Rescuing unsold food is a natural solution to food waste. Using it to feed neighbors in need is a double benefit.

**Instead of filling landfills, we're filling bellies.**



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**We connect causes that truly make a difference in people's lives.**

**A bagel is more than just a bagel -**  
It's nourishment, love, and a bite of dignity for those in need, especially in underserved communities.

- Food Pantries & Food Co-Ops
- Shelters & Rehabilitation Centers
- Schools, Afterschool Youth Programs, & Day Cares
- Street Outreach Efforts
- Senior & Low Income Apartments
- Medical Residences
- Community Advocacy Initiatives

## Feeding the Planet



**1.4M lbs.**

Bagels, Breads & Pastries  
Diverted from Landfills



**2.8M lbs.**

Co2 Not Released through  
Decomposition



**58K**

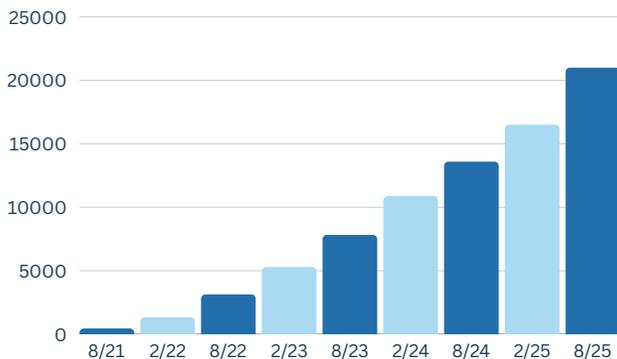
Co2 Equivalency in  
Mature Trees in One Year



**5.3M lbs.**

Methane Gas Prevented from  
Contributing to Climate Change

## Turning Surplus into Sustenance



**Bagel Rescue Deliveries**

## Partners in Food Recovery





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## A Community Approach to Food Justice

Food is a basic need and a human right.

### Health & Wellbeing

Lack of proper nutrition impacts physical, cognitive, and emotional health and can lead to chronic diseases. Unhealthy communities take a toll on everyone.

### Food Access

We are breaking barriers to accessing food by pushing into communities of greatest need to break the cycle of waste & pain. Our hyper-local approach is efficient and effective.

### The Power of Food

Nutrition is essential to not only survive and thrive, but also encourages joy and unity. We are building bridges & connecting compassionate communities.

## Powered by People



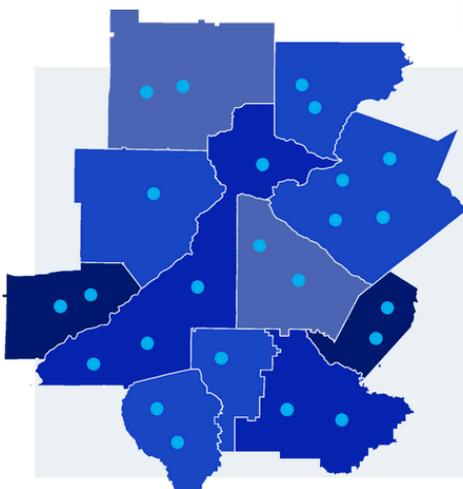


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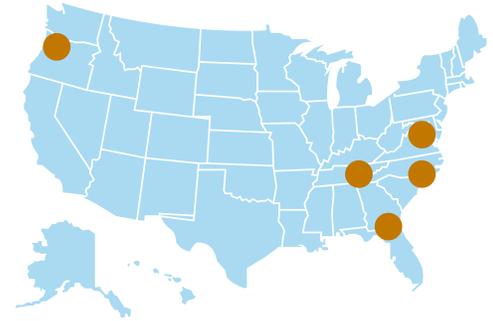
## Community Partners

- 7 Bridges to Recovery
- ALIVE
- Alexandria Shelter
- All Saints | Covenant Community
- Angie's Kitchen
- Another Chance Food Pantry
- ARC: A Place for Families
- Arrival Inn Cobb County
- Atlanta Community Food Bank
- Atlanta Public Schools
- Atlanta Union Mission
- Bigger Vision
- Bread (Emory)
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Atlanta
- Brookhaven UMC
- Buford Family Community Center
- Community Assistance Center
- Catholic Church of St. Ann
- Catholic Parish of Wake County
- Caya Ministries
- City of Light
- City of Refuge
- Church of the Common Ground
- Church Street Food Pantry
- Clifton Sanctuary Ministries
- Clyde's Kitchen
- Collins Memorial
- Covenant House
- DEAM
- Duluth Co-op
- Elizabeth Foundation
- Eye Believe Foundation
- The Extension (Men & Women)
- Family Connections - CIS
- FAVOR
- Feed Marietta
- Feeding Georgia Families
- Fountain of Hope
- Friendship Baptist Church
- Frontline Response
- Georgia Food & Resource Center
- Good Samaritan Health Center
- Greater Piney Grove Baptist Church
- Hamilton Mill UMC
- Healthy Youth USA
- Heike's House of Helping Hands
- Hightower Baptist Association
- Hope Family Resources
- Hope Thru Soap
- Holy Cross Catholic Church
- Hunter Hill Baptist Church
- I Care Atlanta
- iVillage Market
- Jewish Family & Career Services
- The Jewish Tower
- Klemi's Kitchen at GA Tech
- KSU Cares
- Landmark Church
- Latin American Association
- Lawrenceville Co-Op Ministries
- Lettun Eat
- Lost and Found Youth Center
- Malachi Storehouse at St. Patrick's
- Manna House
- Mars Hill Presbyterian Church
- Mary Our Queen Catholic Church
- Meals by Grace
- Mercy Care
- Mothers Making a Change
- MUST Ministries: Hope House
- My Neighbor's Pantry
- Neighborhood Co-Op Ministries
- Networks Co-Op Mission
- Never Alone Food Pantry
- No Longer Bound
- Northwest Christian Church
- Our Lady of Assumption
- Palmetto Baptist Food Pantry
- PAWKids
- The Place at Forsyth
- Project Access
- Purpose Fulfilled Communities
- Purpose World Church
- Raising Expectations
- Rebecca's Tent
- Red Roof Inn N. Druid Hills
- Restoring One's Hope in Atlanta
- Rockdale County Schools
- Ronald McDonald House
- The Salvation Army
- Silvertree Senior Apartments
- Satisfied
- Sheltering Arms
- Soldier's Angels
- St. Brigid Catholic Church
- St. Michael Archangel Church
- St. James United Methodist Church
- St. Joseph's Catholic Church
- St. Patrick's Catholic Church
- St. Peter's Chanel Catholic Church
- Status Home
- Suther's Center
- Sweetwater Ministries
- Toco Hills Community Alliance
- Turner Chapel AME Church
- Urban Ministries of Wake County
- Urban Recipe
- Villa International
- World Harvest Church
- Xtra Mile Food Pantry
- YELLS
- YMCAs of Metro Atlanta
- Zaban Paradies Center
- The Zone

## Metro Atlanta & Beyond



Canton	Smyrna	Clarkston
Woodstock	Buckhead	Stone Mountain
Kennesaw	Sandy Springs	Snellville
Marietta	Dunwoody	Vine City
East Cobb	Chamblee	Midtown
Austell	Brookhaven	Old Fourth Ward
Mableton	Norcross	Downtown
Milton	Lawrenceville	Summer Hill
Alpharetta	P'tree Corners	Toco Hills
Roswell	Grove Park	Emory-Druid Hills
Johns Creek	Bankhead	Decatur
Cumming	Virginia Highlands	Buford Highway
Dacula	Doraville	Polar Rock
Buford	Tucker	Grant Park
Duluth	Jonesboro	East Atlanta
South Atlanta	Villages at Carver	Hampton
East Lake	Hunter Hill	



- Alexandria, VA
- Athens, GA
- Brunswick, GA
- Nashville, TN
- Portland, OR
- Raleigh, NC



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The most meaningful part is how something so simple, like a bagel, can have such a ripple effect. **It's not just about food, it's about the support and being seen.**

*Student*  
**Georgia Tech University**

**Guests with limited income rely on the bagels to supplement their food.** Because there is also some shame associated with the inability to afford food, some guests have relied on the bagels to fill out their meals. We are so happy to be able to offer them something and make sure that there is at least something filling on hand!

*Rebecca Arayan*  
**Villa International Atlanta**

We provide a drive-thru food pantry to 80+ families every 2 weeks. The bagels allow us to offer our guests a fresh bread option that they might not otherwise be able to have. **The bagels feel special, which is really nice to help our pantry guests feel like they matter.**

*Carolyn Dail*  
**St Vincent dePaul**

Without these donations, our organization would be forced to find alternative means of providing food, which would require additional funding and coordination. **Bagel Rescue's contributions have truly filled a vital gap in service** and have had a direct, positive impact on the experience and well-being of those we serve.

*Ericka Henderson-Stanley*  
**Good Samaritan Health Center**

The bagels are put on display for Cancer Patients and Caregivers as they go through treatment. **This helps curb food insecurities among our patients as they struggle financially while undergoing chemotherapy and/or radiation.**

*Danny Sheltz*  
**American Cancer Society Hope Lodge**

**...we really appreciate Bagel Rescue's contributions to our community, especially in these really hard times.**

*Nathaly Reyes- Candelaria*  
**Latin American Association**