Annual Report Fiscal Year 2020





Our Mission:

To alleviate hunger in Lincoln County by distributing healthy and nutritious food to our network of agencies and empowering our community through education.

In 2020 the numbers tell the story:

1,082,124 pounds of food (equating to 4,328,496 meals) distributed by Food Share's network of agencies. For every \$1.00 donated, enough food for 4 meals was distributed.

47,482 individuals representing approximately 19,336 families received emergency and/or supplemental food (These numbers are not unduplicated).

Monthly food boxes delivered to 31 homebound seniors, in Newport and the surrounding area, with mobility & health challenges.

23,885 annual volunteer hours saved Food Share \$649,672 in labor costs (at current rate of \$27.20).

2020 was a challenging year. With the pandemic, the loss of jobs and closure of small businesses, and the recent fires, our county were stretched very thin. The support from the community received was nothing short of astounding.

We were careful with our distribution at our pantries and partner agencies.

We changed our models of shopping-style pantries to no-contact food box distribution for safety reasons. Pantry hours of operation did not change.

Upon notice of Lincoln County's large workplace Covid-19 outbreak, Food Share became a main source of food for over 120 quarantined families.

Partnerships with local government and several community organizations enabled a rapid response to provide food boxes, meet specific dietary needs, and implement delivery to those in quarantine and unable to access food.

During the Echo Mountain fire evacuation, we sprang into action with the provision of nutritious food for the displaced families housed at the Newport rec center. We are still serving many of these working families as they continue to struggle with inadequate financial means.

Additionally, we made the difficult decision to cancel our largest fundraising event, Be Jeweled, as the well-being of our community is first and foremost

Who we are

Food Share of Lincoln County (FSLC) was started as a regional food bank in 1981 and incorporated as a private non-profit 501(c)3 in 1982. As the need for services increased, FSLC moved several times, each time to a larger facility, culminating in a final move to the current warehouse located at 535 NE First Street in Newport. The Food Share warehouse serves as the central distribution site for 23 partner agencies in the county. As a regional food bank, FSLC is overseen by a Board of Directors and collaborates with Oregon Food Bank to distribute USDA commodity food, food donated by producers in the food industry, as well as local donations from retailers and individuals.

Where the food comes from

FSLC receives a weekly shipment from the Oregon Food Bank warehouse in Portland. USDA commodities, retail vendor donations, bulk food, frozen product and fresh produce are delivered; in addition, program drivers glean from local retailers, big and small, year round. In the summer months, OSU Master Gardeners, local gardeners and farmers provide a rich source of fresh, local produce. Food Share also accepts local food donations and helps to facilitate and publicize local food drives.

Where the food goes

After receiving food into the FSLC warehouse, all provisions are dispersed to affiliated partner agencies for direct service to low-income individuals and families in Lincoln County. Food Share also works closely with Coastal Range Food Bank in Nashville for information referral and sharing of resources.

How our operations are funded

FSLC is supported primarily by donations from individuals, local businesses, and the faith community, in the form of food items and cash. Grants and other monetary assistance is available from the Lincoln County Social Service Fund, Oregon Food Bank, Siletz Tribe Charitable Giving, Three Rivers Casino Foundation, Oregon Community Foundation, EFSP (FEMA) and other corporations and foundations.

How we get the work done

Food Share employs a full time Executive Director, Nancy Mitchell, two full-time support staff, two full-time warehouse staff and a part-time driver. A lion's share of the daily operations of our 23 partner agencies falls to the 100-plus volunteers who give time each week to a community food pantry or soup kitchen, and perform many other essential tasks involved in our mission to support the food insecure residents of Lincoln County.

Community Involvement

Food Share is an active participant in Cooking Matters, Project Homeless Connect, Veterans Stand Down, Lincoln County's Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) and Health Integration Network, and Oregon Food Bank/OSU Extension Services Healthy Pantry Initiative.

Our Donors and Volunteers Make a Difference

Food Share of Lincoln County could not fulfill its mission to alleviate hunger without the generous support of its donors and volunteers. We are grateful to those in the community who support us.

Emergency Food Assistance

Lincoln City Food Pantry @ Coast Vineyard Depoe Bay Food Pantry Siletz Food Pantry Toledo Food Share Pantry Newport Food Pantry Salvation Army-Newport & Lincoln City Waldport Food Share Pantry Coastal Range Pantry - Nashville

Soup Kitchens

St Stephen's Stone Soup Calvary Baptist Church Community Presbyterian Church Waldport

Supplemental Programs

Agate Heights Apartments
North & South Apartments
Big Creek Senior Apartments
Cooking Matters
Head Start
Lincoln City Backpack Program
My Sister's Place
Northwest Coastal Housing
Senior Box Program
Siletz Back Pack Program
South Lincoln Resources

Affiliated Partner Agencies

Our Goals:

To provide temporary service to individuals and families in their time of need.

To assist clients to become more self sufficient.

To increase community awareness of hunger in Lincoln County.



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How can you help?

- Cash or Check Contributions: Your dollars help support us best. For every \$1.00 donated Food Share can distribute up to 4 meals.
- Make a Gift of Stock: A donation of appreciated securities can help us with capitol purchases such as a new freezer, refrigerator or expanded warehouse.
- **Make a Bequest:** Contact your estate planning attorney and consider including Food Share of Lincoln County in your will.
- Hold a food or fund drive at work, school or through your service organization. Click here for more information.
- Link your Fred Meyer Rewards Card to Food Share.
- Shop on <u>Amazon Smile</u> where Amazon donates to Food Share every time you shop.
- Make personal food donations or donate produce from your garden.
- **Volunteer Opportunities:** Food Pantry/Hot Meal Site, Pick-up/Delivery Driver, Nutrition Education, Special Events. Click here for more information.

Monetary donations in the form of checks (made payable to Food Share of Lincoln County) or cash may be sent or dropped off at our warehouse at 535 NE 1st Street, Newport, OR 97365. If you would like to use a credit card, you can donate via PayPal (a PayPal account is not required) from our donation page on our <u>website</u>.

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