

FOOD ASSISTANCE

Mason County 2020: There are incredible efforts being made to address food security in our state beyond just those of WSDA Food Assistance programs. This county snapshot focuses only on WSDA Food Assistance programs key services and programming to support the hunger relief system. Due to COVID-19, we have added statewide projections, WSDA COVID-19 food security response efforts, and critical areas of concern.

County Snapshot

Contractors: Community Action Council of Lewis, Mason & Thurston Counties, Thurston County Food Bank, South Puget Intertribal Planning Agency

Partner Organizations: 6

- Food Pantries:

- Meal Programs: 0

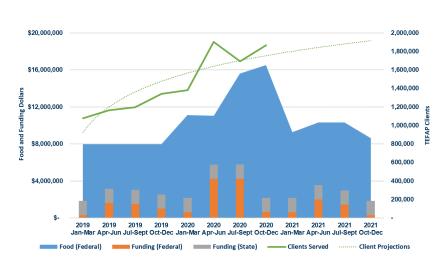
- Other: 1

Legislative District: 35

Congressional Districts: 6, 10

Statewide Snapshot

Quarterly Clients Served vs Food & Funding



Food Assistance core programs without COVID-19 support see page 2 for COVID-19 response

Federal Programs - Mason County

BASELINE - Annual Funding

TEFAP, CSFP \$33,393
Operational Funds

243,733
Pounds of Food
Distributed

\$196,031
Estimated Food Value

SUPPLEMENTAL - Additional Appropriations

TMP, TEFAP FFCRA, TEFAP CARES \$72,632
Operational Funds

290,420
Pounds of Food
Distributed

\$325,710 Estimated Food Value

State Programs - Mason County

BASELINE - Annual Funding

EFAP, EFAP-Tribal \$85,208
Operational Funds

1.9 Million
Pounds of Food
Distributed

\$3.4 Million
Estimated Food Value

State Programs - Statewide

SUPPLEMENTAL - Temporary Funding (Not all counties received direct funding but may have benefited indirectly, data is not final)

F2FP,

\$600,000

125

97

Operational Funds

Participating Organizations

Participating Farms

County Highlights: Contracted with 15 farms to serve 8 food pantries resulting in 9,845 lbs of produce shared with Kitsap County. Received 2 refrigerated capacity grants and state capacity funding to purchase freezers and refrigerated transportation.

WSDA COVID-19 Response

SUPPLEMENTAL - Additional Appropriations for WSDA Food Security Efforts

Food security issues in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic continue to emerge and evolve. WSDA in partnership with the Governor's food security team, state agencies, and the hunger relief community has responded to this crisis by expanding its purchasing role to address food supply chain disruptions and by providing economic opportunities to offset the negative impacts on Washington's agricultural sector. We provided significant supports for hunger relief organizations by funding critical capacity needs like mobile food pantries, refrigeration, PPE, fresh produce boxes, emergency food boxes, and mobilization of volunteers.

\$105 Million

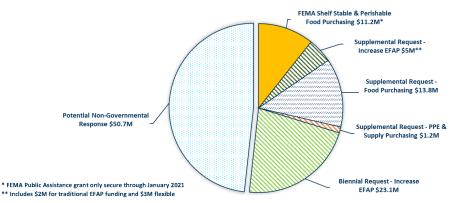
WSDA's 2020 Statewide **Food Security Response**

COVID-19 WSDA 2020 FOOD SECURITY RESPONSE



COVID-19 WSDA '21-23 PROPOSED FOOD SECURITY RESPONSE

\$54.3 Million WSDA's '21-23 Proposed **Food Security Response**



This one time pandemic infusion was invaluable but will leave many emergency food providers facing a funding cliff in 2021 and beyond. State, Federal COVID-19 response funds, and the Trade Mitigation Program are set to expire. We anticipate that client need will continue to grow, donations will remain at reduced levels, and hunger relief organizations will struggle to maintain services. If non-governmental resources are less than anticipated, then we may need to increase our current funding requests. Without additional resources, the impact on Washington communities could be devastating. For additional information on WSDA's food security response, please see https://agr.wa.gov/coronavirus.