



Lead Agencies

Okanogan County Community Action Council - Okanogan



Okanogan County Community Action Council (OCCAC) is a cornerstone of the community effort to end poverty through education and employment.

Upper Valley MEND - Leavenworth



Upper Valley MEND is a human services umbrella organization dedicated to meeting the housing, hunger and healthcare needs of area residents and transients in the Upper Wenatchee Valley. Founded in 1988 as a food bank and thrift store, MEND has grown over the years to meet the needs of the community in various ways.

In 2018, two lead agencies in the 12th Legislative District:

- Received a combined total of **\$4,500 in state funds** to purchase produce from local farmers.
- **Matched government investment with \$1,100 in community funds**, significantly increasing their F2FP purchasing power.
- **Purchased 5,742 pounds of produce** from local farmers.
- Received an **additional 14,568 pounds of donated or gleaned produce** from local farmers.



"My son loves when we have fresh produce and I love knowing that it was grown by local farmers. Please keep it coming. It helps so much."
- 2019 Food Pantry Client

4 Participating Food Pantries:

- Brewster Food Pantry
- Bridgeport Food Pantry
- Community Cupboard Food Bank
- Twisp/Methow Food Pantry

"We are always trying to reach new customers. Our ability to participate in the F2FP program allowed us to reach people who would not normally purchase produce from us via our existing avenues.."
- 2018 Farmer Partner

9 Participating Farms:

- DeLap Orchards
- Filaree Farms
- Hope Mountain
- Oh Yeah Farms
- Smallwood Farms
- Snowgrass
- The Kings Garden
- Tierra Garden Organics
- Yonder Farms

Hunger in the 12th District:

Chelan County:

- 75,138 residents
- 12.8% poverty
- Food Pantries distributed 1,046,737 lbs of food to 6,658 clients

Okanogan County:

- 41,378 residents
- 21.8% poverty
- Food Pantries distributed 944,030 lbs of food to 6,397 clients