

FORM 990: PART III – PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS**Affiliate Services****\$461,515,860**

America's Second Harvest is a national umbrella organization for 215 member food banks and food rescue organizations. As part of network membership, each food bank and food rescue organization is certified by America's Second Harvest national staff. The certification process includes annual inspection by a representative from America's Second Harvest. The inspection covers all aspects of operations including (but not limited to) sanitation, food handling, inventory control, warehousing, financial management and governance.

As part of Affiliate Services, America's Second Harvest has a Food Bank Management Institute, which provides on-going technical assistance, training, and consultation on all aspects of food bank and food rescue organization operations and general nonprofit issues.

Product Distribution**\$ 5,270,706**

America's Second Harvest records and verifies all donated product, then distributes it equitably throughout a network of 213 affiliates. Management information systems are used to generate reports for every donor's corporate records and a specialized tracking system is maintained in case of product recall. The transportation industry fights to end hunger by participating in our Relief Fleet™ program that allows companies to donate the transportation of food and grocery products. In fiscal year 2004, Relief Fleet™ donations totaled 13.5 million pounds worth approximately \$541,000 in savings to the affiliate network. Vehicle grant and discount purchasing programs allow affiliates to move more food to hungry Americans. In fiscal year 2004, a total of 59 vehicles were provided to affiliates across America. Several other programs dramatically enhance distribution capabilities. A produce subsidy program lowers the cost of handling fresh fruits and vegetables. A seafood subsidy program encourages use of this nutritious protein source. A purchasing program reduces administrative costs so that more funding can be applied to hunger relief programs.

Food Sourcing**\$ 7,265,117**

On behalf of the affiliate network, America's Second Harvest forges and maintains relationships with manufacturers, processors, growers, distributors, wholesalers, retailers, food service operators, restaurants, and food industry associations to solicit in-kind donations of food and other grocery products. Several of these constituencies choose to make donations through America's Second Harvest. Many others donate directly to local affiliates. Total pounds of donated product received from America's Second Harvest national donors were 445 million with a dollar value of \$668 million. Nationally, America's Second Harvest received 301 million pounds of donated food and grocery products with a dollar value of \$451 million. The total volume of product from all sources moving through the affiliate network increased approximately 10% percent (173 million pounds) to 1.941 billion pounds. Fresh

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produce continued to be the single largest food or grocery item flowing through America's Second Harvest, increasing by 2.6 million pounds to 73.9 million. Donations of essential dairy products like milk, cheese, and yogurt more than doubled from 8.1 to 21 million pounds, due in part to the USDA National Non-profit Humanitarian Initiative.

Public Awareness and Education

\$ 1,360,298

America's Second Harvest educates the general public on the problems of hunger. Public education materials include a quarterly newsletter entitled *Hunger Digest*, an informational internet web site, various educational and informational events in conjunction with the annual Hunger Awareness Day and various research and public policy projects.

Public Policy and Research

\$ 1, 234,558

America's Second Harvest advocates on behalf of America's food insufficient. Research and public policy efforts helped to secure 535,800,000 pounds of food through The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP), the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP), and USDA Section 32 bonus commodity purchases.

Total of Program Service Expenses

\$476,646,539