

**AMERICA'S SECOND HARVEST,
THE NATION'S FOOD BANK NETWORK**

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FORM 990: PART III – Program Service Accomplishments

Member Services

\$640,824,747

America's Second Harvest is a national umbrella organization for more than 200 member food banks. America's Second Harvest inspects each Network Member every 18-24 months, to ensure compliance with all food handling, management, governance and accountability standards. Comprehensive training and technical assistance are available to strengthen the skills of the staff and board members of member food banks and the agencies they serve. America's Second Harvest raises funds for grants for the initiation and operation of Kids Cafes, Community Kitchens and the Back Pack Program in addition to providing technical assistance in opening and operating these national programs.

Hurricane Disaster Relief

\$ 12,305,464

America's Second Harvest takes an active role in response and recovery from domestic disasters. By coordinating the activities of the Network during major disasters, supplies are provided to emergency feeding centers, shelters and mass care sites serving disaster victims. In fiscal year 2007, approximately 1.5 million pounds of food and grocery products with an approximate value of \$2.5 million were donated to America's Second Harvest for hurricane disaster relief. The Network is an active member of National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (NVOAD).

Supply Chain Services

\$ 21,040,311

America's Second Harvest receives donated food and grocery products and distributes it equitably through a Network of more than 200 Members. Management information systems are used to allocate goods to Members and to generate reports for every donor's corporate records. The transportation industry fights to end hunger by participating in the Relief Fleet™ program, allowing companies to donate the transportation of food and grocery products. Relief Fleet™ donations, worth approximately \$590,000, moved 11.8 million pounds of product to the Network. Vehicle grant and discount purchasing programs allow Network Members to move more food to hungry Americans. In fiscal year 2007, a total of 21 vehicles were provided to Network Members across America. A produce subsidy program lowers the cost of handling fresh fruits and vegetables. A donated product transportation subsidy program helps off-set higher commercial freight costs. A seafood subsidy program encourages use of this nutritious protein source.

Food Sourcing

\$ 1,098,348

America's Second Harvest forges and maintains relationships with convenience store chains, distributors, food industry associations, food service operators, growers, manufacturers, processors, restaurants, retailers and wholesalers to obtain in-kind donations of food and other grocery products. In fiscal year 2007, national donors

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provided 554 million pounds of donated food and grocery products with 369.5 million pounds of that volume flowing through the national office as non-disaster product. The in-kind donations of non-disaster food and grocery products made through the national office represent a value of \$624.5 million as reflected on the financial statements. Fresh fruits and vegetables continued to be the single largest food or grocery product category at 25.8% of national volume. Increased donations were achieved in the following product categories: complete meals, entrees and soups, baby food and formula, and 100% fruit and vegetable juice. Additional increases were seen in dressings, household cleaning products, and lastly, mixed and assorted food products. Nutritious products such as canned and frozen fruits and vegetables, complete meals, cereal, dairy products, fresh fruit and vegetables, meat and non-meat protein, pasta and rice continue to be in high demand from people in need across America.

Public Awareness and Education

\$ 1,758,247

America's Second Harvest works to educate the general public and keep them informed about hunger in America by keeping the issue prominent in the national media. To that same end, the national office produces quarterly issue papers to spotlight how certain aspects of hunger affect our country. On June 5, 2007 America's Second Harvest supported the sixth annual National Hunger Awareness Day. Network Members and their agencies held events around the country to raise awareness about the issue of hunger in America.

Public Policy and Research

\$ 1,970,262

By working with legislators, conducting in-depth research and testifying at hearings, the organization works to effect changes in public attitudes and laws that support or aid our Network and those we serve.

Research and Analysis

\$ 707,950

America's Second Harvest released the second annual *Almanac of Hunger and Poverty in the United States* in conjunction with National Hunger Awareness Day in June. This book, which is shared with policy makers, donors, and the media, is the comprehensive desktop reference to national, state, and local information on hunger, poverty, and the programs, including charitable and governmental, that serve vulnerable Americans.

Total of Program Service Expenses

\$679,705,329