



ENDING HUNGER: It's about people



Good food allows children to be children again. These Lowell kids are at a spray park, just minutes after eating a healthy lunch supported by Project Bread.

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It all begins with food. Good food nourishes the body . . . and the spirit. With regular meals, a child is free to grow, to think, to ask a question, to tell a joke. Good food brings laughter and a sense of belonging. It allows children to be children again.

Being hungry is the fate of thousands of children in Massachusetts. They are disproportionately represented in the low-income population, so it's easy to understand why they are at the highest risk for hunger. Not one of these kids wakes up one morning and says: "I want to be poor; I want to go hungry." Every child wants a warm place to live, a safe place to play, and enough food to eat — and each one of them deserves to have these basic needs met. At Project Bread, we continue to be passionate advocates for nutritious food, dignity, and choice.



Project Bread is the state's leading antihunger organization, providing direct help to nearly 50,000 struggling families through its FoodSource Hotline and raising \$3.8 million through The Walk for Hunger. Through a combination of privately donated funds and public funding, we provided more than 502 grants to emergency food programs, schools, summer food programs, neighborhood programs, and community health centers to end hunger across the state last year. Project Bread is also engaged in research and advocacy that improves the health of hungry people throughout the Commonwealth.



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Dear Friends,

We came to Project Bread, like so many of you, because we feel strongly that no one should go hungry.

And while Project Bread is doing more innovative work than ever before, this year's economic crisis has left 554,000 people struggling to put food on the table. Calls to the Project Bread FoodSource Hotline soared from 37,000 to nearly 50,000 last year. So, we address you at a time when more people need help than ever before.

Project Bread was ready to respond to the sharp increase in demand for help. Our programs, including projects within larger systems like schools and health centers, are currently serving thousands of children and adults, and, at the same time, advancing our agenda to build enough capacity to help everyone in need.

Last year, we expanded the hours of our Hotline, which coordinates services for low-income families seeking food, just in time for the spike in calls. We had a very strong Walk for Hunger and were able to provide grants for 400 emergency food programs throughout the state. Our Food for Families Program, in partnership with Partners HealthCare, enabled us to give struggling families at community health centers food vouchers and enroll them in food stamps. For frail homebound seniors, Project Bread provides homecare workers with resources to replenish an empty pantry. Our Chefs in Schools healthy food initiative in the Boston Public Schools has become a national model and is a sustainable way to offer low-income school children healthy food that they like to eat.

Project Bread doesn't reinvent the wheel. Instead, we find ways to partner with existing organizations so the hungry person is well-served, federal revenues are brought into the state, and our donor's investment yields a high return. Our strategy is balanced: we respond to emergency needs and, at the same time, are committed to projects — like our healthy school meals initiative — that prevent hunger over the long term.

When Project Bread started its work in 1969, no one imagined a year like last year. However, we're grateful that when people reached out, we were able to respond. This year's annual report brings you the personal stories those who've been affected by hunger and those who work to help them.

Best wishes,

Sincerely,

Robert E. Travaglini
Chair, Project Bread Board of Directors
President, Travaglini Eisenberg Kiley

Ellen Parker
Executive Director



ENDING HUNGER: It's about listening to those in need



ABOUT BERTHA

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Bertha Ponce's apartment on a tree-lined street in Chelsea may be tiny, but it's cozy and as welcoming as the smile on the young woman's face as she plays with the two-year-old girl on her lap. Bertha, a native of Honduras, has been in the United States since 2001 and, though it took a few years to get used to, she says she wouldn't live anywhere else.



Solving hunger means acknowledging that hunger is a health issue and finding innovative ways to address this problem. To this end, Project Bread supports antihunger programs in community health centers that identify families at risk and provide solutions as part of their medical care. Health care providers are trusted advisors and uniquely qualified to provide good food as a prescription for better health, especially for families who may feel stigmatized asking for help. Within health centers, Project Bread offers several programs, including the Food for Families Project and the Hunger Prevention Project; and for hospitals, it has created a first-of-its-kind statewide handbook, which provides tips that hospital workers can use to get eligible families on SNAP (the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, formerly known as food stamps) and other food assistance programs.



ABOUT BERTHA

A long car trip via Mexico brought the young Bertha and her longtime partner and now father of her child to Boston. They were young and ambitious with great hopes for life in a new country. Though her parents were reluctant to let her go, she was curious about the world. (Her sister had already left for Europe.) But most of all, she wanted to get a good job. “I wanted to help my parents. They were getting older and were no longer able to work.” And help she did. Laboring in a factory for several years, she was able to support herself and send money home to her family in Honduras. Although life was challenging in the new country with its harsh winters and strange customs, the young woman says that the beauty of the land and the opportunities it offered made the transition easier.

However, when her first child was born with Giles Smith syndrome (clubfoot), Bertha had to stop work and care for Ashley full-time. With no job, a baby in a cast that needed to be changed weekly, and difficult surgeries ahead, life became a struggle. Bertha is enormously grateful that she is living in Boston because, as she explains, “If I were living in Honduras, my daughter’s foot would not have healed as it has here. Things are definitely better here.”

“The baby’s food has to be bought,” says Bertha. “She must eat well. We just eat less.”

— Bertha Ponce, mother, helped by the Food for Families Project, a partnership between Project Bread and Partners HealthCare

Fortunately little Ashley is now doing well, and Bertha looks forward to getting back to work. In the meantime, particularly in this bad economy, money is tight. Ashley’s father has a job, but getting by on one salary is tough. Like many other families in this economy, Bertha looks for help with food. (Today, one family in eight in the United States receives food stamps.) However, she and her partner are resourceful and, like many people in Boston, have changed their diets to be more economical. She says they eat very little meat now and more rice and beans. “The baby’s food has to be bought,” says Bertha. “She must eat well. We just eat less.”

Bertha Ponce misses her extended family very much, especially her mother with whom she speaks twice weekly. But America is her country now and, most important, it’s Ashley’s country. Ashley, an avid consumer of PBS cartoons, already speaks English (something her mother is working on for herself), and education for her child tops this devoted mother’s wish list. “I want her to go to school to study a lot. . . . The most important thing is to do well in school.”

ENDING HUNGER: It's about trying new ideas

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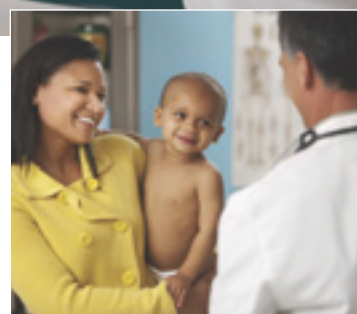
Solving hunger means partnering with experts in the field of health and nutrition to change the paradigm of hunger from one of poverty to one of health and education.

Several years ago, Project Bread recognized that low-income families who are hungry are at greater risk of developing health problems. At that time, we developed a partnership with Partners HealthCare and, in particular, with Dr. Ronald Kleinman, to create the Food for Families Project, a national model for antihunger work. To help these families, Project Bread provided food vouchers for immediate care and helped health care workers to register eligible families on SNAP (food stamps).

From September 2007 through August 2009, the Food for Families Project screened more than 11,000 families for hunger in several community health centers in the Greater Boston area. Eleven percent of the families screened positive for hunger. These families answered “Yes” to the question: “In the past month, was there any day when you or anyone in your family went hungry because you did not have enough money for food?” This project recognized that for many low-income families the problem of hunger was not being addressed by traditional solutions. About 1,500 families were assisted to access SNAP benefits as well as other food resources.

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ABOUT RON



“We’ve placed Food for Families in health centers because it’s the venue where low-income children are most likely to be brought for health care.”

— Ronald E. Kleinman, M.D., Physician-in-Chief,
Chair, Department of Pediatrics, MassGeneral Hospital
for Children, a member of Partners HealthCare

When Ron Kleinman talks about childhood hunger — both here at home and throughout the developing world — he is visibly moved. As a physician who is driven by images of children suffering, he admits, “There are many moments when I just want to go off and cry for a while.” However, he has very little time for sadness. As chair of pediatrics and physician-in-chief of MassGeneral Hospital for Children, and professor of pediatrics at Harvard, Dr. Kleinman is a very busy pediatric gastroenterologist.

Still, he looks for ways to help the hungry. The soft-spoken doctor speaks with urgency of his work and his long collaboration with Project Bread, a partnership he believes is a perfect fit. “We always look to Project Bread for support for our research projects,” he says.

Kleinman’s entire medical career, indeed his *raison d’être*, has been to improve the health and welfare of “the most vulnerable children” wherever they live. He urges his colleagues in the health care profession to work globally. “Our immediate neighborhood is certainly an obligation,” Kleinman says, “but we also need to serve those in the developing world. We have resources that are useful to others.”

To that end, Kleinman has traveled to some of the poorest countries to treat children with unimaginable conditions. Nothing pains him more, he says, than to see mothers so poor they cannot feed their children. “Working with Project Bread on the local level, we’ve placed Food for Families in health centers because it’s the venue where low-income children are most likely to be brought for health care.”

Though Ron Kleinman remains focused on the health of hungry children, he has a view of the issue that goes beyond the immediacy of his work as a physician and researcher. He is concerned about the political and socioeconomic roots of hunger: famine caused by misuse of land, tyrannical governments, and brutal civil wars. Here at home, he lauds many food programs but laments their limitations and the difficulties the poor have in accessing them. Still, he believes there are solutions, particularly domestically. One of those solutions, he says enthusiastically, is Project Bread. “Project Bread in every community might be a simple solution to hunger in America.”



ENDING HUNGER: It's about persuading others to help



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Solving hunger means partnering with experts in the fields of education and hospitality to create cutting-edge nutrition for low-income children. The reason for this innovative approach is simple: school food accounts for up to fifty-five percent of the calories a low-income child consumes in a day. And it's Project Bread's mission to make every calorie count.

Several years ago, Project Bread worked in partnership with the Harvard School of Public Health and the Friedman School of Nutrition at Tufts to create reference tools that provided a kitchen roadmap that showed food service directors around the state how to enhance the quality of school breakfasts and lunches on a budget and by using USDA commodity food. These "Better Breakfast" and "Better Lunch" toolkits provided detailed suggestions for eliminating trans fats, sugared cereal, reducing dairy fat, and increasing fruit and fiber through fresh fruits and vegetables.

As a next step, Project Bread, in partnership with the Office of Mayor Thomas M. Menino, the Boston Public Schools, and the Boston Public Health Commission, hired Chef Kirk Conrad, a graduate of the Culinary Institute of America, to work in the kitchens of three schools in the Boston area to improve the meals and teach the staff how to cook from scratch. This demonstration project, now called "Chefs in Schools," has successfully created healthy, cost-effective meals that kids like to eat — and its presence in school sends the message to students, teachers, and parents that nutritious food is important to a child's long-term health and ability to learn. In 2009, Chefs in Schools was rolled out to an additional five schools and is being evaluated as a national model.





ABOUT KIRK



After completing an M.A. in teaching, Kirk Conrad decided the high school classroom wasn't for him after all. He enrolled in culinary school and became a chef — never imagining his new career would one day take him right back to school. But after working at Boston's stylish Top of the Hub and as a private chef for corporate events, his ongoing concern for young people and the news of a new nutrition program in the Boston Public Schools brought Chef Conrad into the Boston school system. It's a job fueled by a lifelong passion for food and for kids. "I want to make sure these kids, who may not have any other food in their day except what we're providing in school, have the absolute best we can give them."

"Chef Kirk," as the students call him, knows both anecdotally and from studies that many of the youngsters he feeds go home to empty refrigerators, and he says it breaks his heart. The meals and snacks served in the schools are sometimes the only calories they have in the day.

Chef Kirk thrives in his challenging, fast-paced career. "It's said you're only as good as your last meal and that has even more significance when working with young people." He explains that high school students who have already formed their own tastes are the hardest to convince to try new things. But this resourceful young chef is doing everything he can to work around their resistance. "They won't give up pizza, so we switched to a whole-grain crust, low-fat cheese with grilled vegetables on top." A little subversive, he admits, but it works. Not all his ideas are as successful. He laughs as he recounts his attempt to sell homemade hummus to high school students. "They just weren't going to have anything to do with chick peas!"

His success in getting the youngsters to eat healthful food is helped by his outgoing nature. Chef Kirk is a tall, athletic man with a powerful personality. Looking more like a football coach than a chef, he circulates in the cafeteria cajoling, joking, and high-fiving students while motivating them to accept new and healthier food options like his homemade soup. "I just said, 'Hey guys, just give it try,' and they did. After that it was like, 'Yo! What's up chef? Where's that soup? We want the soup!'"

Not just a backroom manager, Conrad also serves on the cafeteria line. "I like to meet the students and tell them about the food." In fact, students swarm around him in and out of school. "They come up to me all the time and say, 'Hey Chef, what's for breakfast? What's for lunch?' They keep me busy."

At home with his wife and young children, Conrad is still busy in the kitchen. Although his children are much younger than most of his clients, he says he learns a lot from them about planning menus. "Kids don't want gourmet food, and my kids keep me very real about what boundaries I can push in the schools."

He admits that he has frustrating days, but devotion keeps him going. "I hate to see any child go hungry." And to that end it is not unusual for him to buy students food with his own money. With all the obstacles and frustration, would he ever throw in the towel? "Not on your life!" he says. "It's not in my character to quit . . . these kids are my priority."

"I hate to see a child go hungry."

— Chef Kirk Conrad, executive chef of Boston's Chefs in Schools Initiative, shown here with the cafeteria staff of the Mario Umana Middle School Academy in East Boston

ENDING HUNGER: It's about standing up and standing out

“For a generation, The Walk for Hunger has been the achievement not of individuals or particular groups, but of an entire people. Who are the heroes of this — Boston’s finest public act? There are no heroes, and that is the point, which is why this city has taken the Walk permanently to its heart. The Walk is an act of pure citizenship.

Boston is never more beautiful than on the first Sunday in May, and never — one dares to hope — more itself.”

— *James Carroll, columnist,
The Boston Globe*

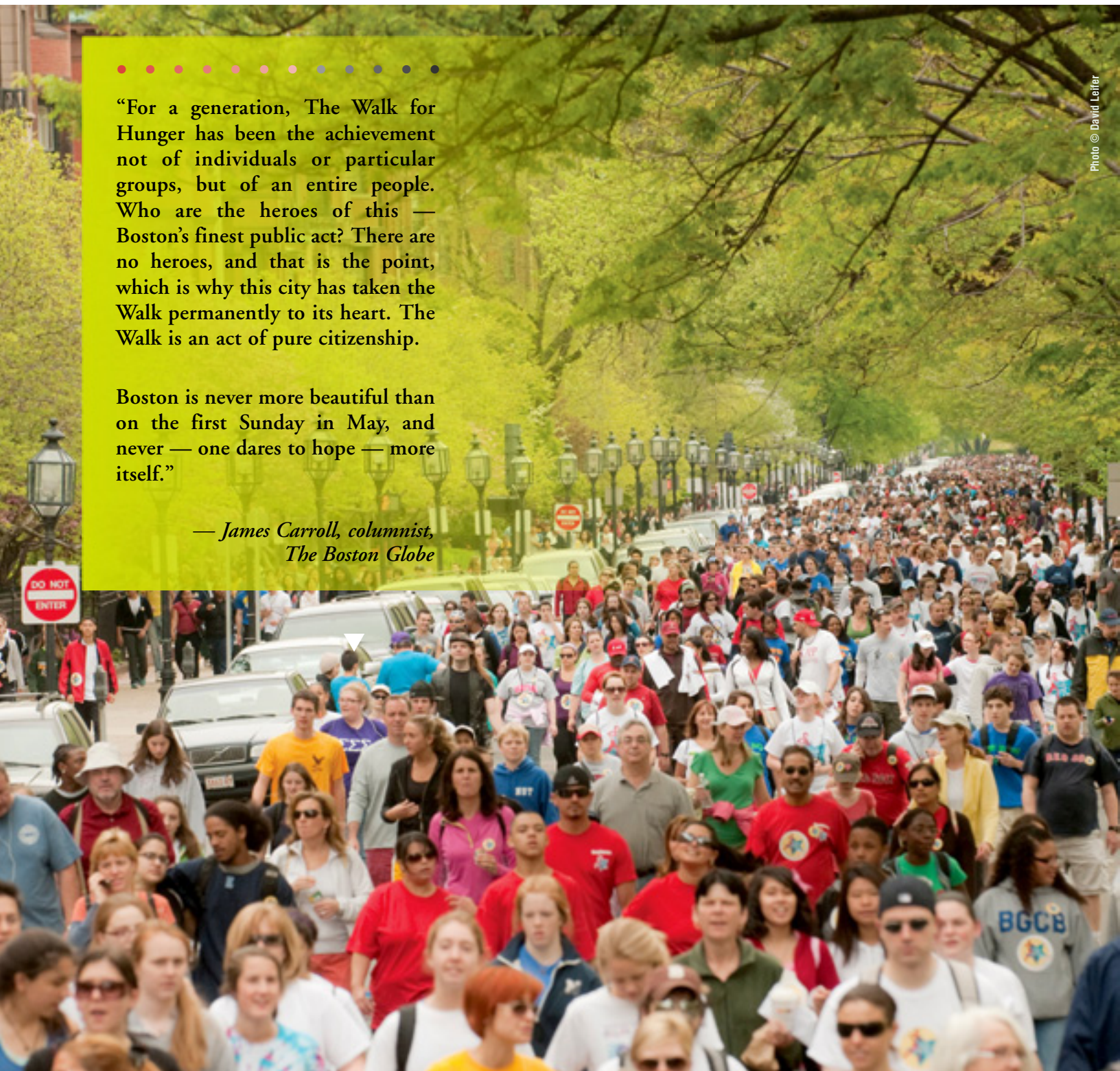
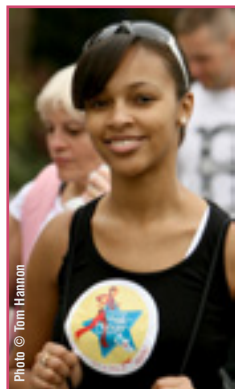


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• • • • • The Walk for Hunger: Nothing else like it

On the first Sunday in May, The Walk for Hunger mobilizes 40,000 caring people who roar forth, rain or shine, to protest hunger.



Project Bread's signature event, The Walk for Hunger, is the oldest, continual pledge walk in the country, and the only walkathon dedicated to social justice. For forty-one years, this grassroots event has provided over \$73.8 million in private donations to neighborhood emergency food and hunger prevention projects throughout the state. Emergency programs served more than 57.3 million meals to hungry people last year, which is the largest number ever recorded.

Last year, through The Walk for Hunger, Project Bread mobilized 44,000 walkers who, in turn, involved 50,000 contributors to raise \$3.8 million dollars, making it the second strongest Walk in history and a record-breaker in a down economy. Along with the 2,000 volunteers who help at the Walk each year, more than 96,000 caring people in the state are united in some form of hunger relief on the first Sunday in May.

Heart & Sole Walkers are a group of dedicated participants who raise a minimum of \$500 each year for The Walk for Hunger. In 2009, 1,500 individuals raised \$1.6 million to feed hungry people.

Solving hunger means providing a safety net for the state's 400 emergency food programs while also continuing to invest in systems that feed whole populations, such as schools. The Walk for Hunger mobilizes support for soup kitchens, food pantries, food banks, and food salvage programs as well as hunger prevention programs in 135 communities across Massachusetts. The emergency food programs, in turn, provided more than 57.3 million meals to hungry people in 2008.



ABOUT LAUREN



A New Hampshire native, middle-school teacher Lauren Gogolen presides over her bright classroom with energy and optimism. As any good teacher, she gives her students knowledge and skills, but she goes a step further. She shares with them a profound lesson about social responsibility. “I teach my students that by giving just a little of their time they can help others.” To that end, Lauren has, for each of the past five years, mobilized over a hundred students in the school’s Helping Hands community service organization to participate in The Walk for Hunger. Together they have raised \$5,000 a year for Project Bread.

And Lauren’s work doesn’t stop there. At Thanksgiving and Christmas time, she can be found, long after the school day at Revere’s Rumney Marsh Academy is over, packing boxes and food baskets. Lauren has enjoyed helping others this way as long as she can remember. She did volunteer work at her mother’s side and then in her Girl Scout troop where she says she had a revelation when she discovered that one of her closest friends was actually on the receiving end of a food basket. “It dawned on me that day that we don’t always know who needs help. Hunger is often hidden.”

Today, using PowerPoint presentations, games, visits from speakers at Project Bread, and anecdotes about her own volunteer experiences, Lauren motivates dozens of middle school students in the Helping Hands club into action. “Most of these kids are surprised to learn there are two food pantries in their own town,” she says. But there are also students in the school and even in Helping Hands who need assistance, a need that calls for diplomacy and discretion. This very special teacher has both. She makes sure the families of needy children receive food baskets without embarrassing them. She is touched by the way the kids in need want to contribute to the food drives. “One boy was thrilled his family got a food basket because then he had something to contribute to the food drive from his own family’s basket.”

Lauren is a modest woman who eschews the spotlight. When complimented, she shifts the conversation to her colleagues’ contributions, her friends’ goodwill, even to the kindness of the bus drivers who take her students downtown for The Walk for Hunger. Laughing about marshaling a hundred teens and pre-teens through downtown Boston, she says, “Really, thank goodness for the bus drivers! They just turn up the music and get everybody singing.”



For hundreds of thousands of the state’s young people, The Walk for Hunger is a powerful first charitable experience, supported by parents, teachers, and principals. Here is Lauren, first row, third from right, with students and faculty from the Rumney Marsh Academy from Revere at The Walk for Hunger.

Lauren Gogolen is gearing up for her fifth Walk for Hunger and hoping it doesn’t rain as it did one memorable year. There she was in downtown Boston with dozens of youngsters, and the skies opened. The children were soaked and, by Kenmore Square, already tired. But when she asked them if they wanted to dry off or rest or even quit, not one said, “Yes.” “With 19 more miles in front of them, not a single child wanted to quit. Not for a second. Now that,” she says smiling, “was a real high moment in my life!”

Working to End Hunger



The following organizations received 502 grants from Project Bread through its Walk for Hunger and the Massachusetts Child Hunger Initiative (MCHI) during the 2008 – 2009 funding period. They include 474 emergency food programs, schools, after-school programs, summer food programs, health centers, and neighborhood organizations in 135 communities throughout the Commonwealth.

“It’s really the folks on the front line — all the pantry workers, all the volunteers — that actually get this done. The Hunger Commission started because we realized that volunteers and committed seniors and retirees ran a lot of the feeding programs. Without them, this work couldn’t get done.”

— William Shell, program director,
Hunger Commission of Southeastern Massachusetts



William Shell with his wife, Alice, at Project Bread’s 2009 Appreciation and Grant Award Ceremony.

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Courtesy of Rosemary Werner

“We depend on the Project Bread grant to stock the food pantry and to help offset the cost of the dinners. We have elderly people who tell us they look forward to Wednesday so they can have a home-cooked meal, and people tell us the food pantry makes a difference in not going to bed hungry.”

— Rosemary E. Werner,
Our Neighbor’s Table, Amesbury

Project Bread strives to be as accurate as possible in listing our funded agencies. We appreciate your help in correcting any errors or omissions.

Acton

Acton Community Supper, Inc.

Acushnet

Shepherd’s Pantry, Inc.

Adams

Adams Cheshire Regional Schools – Summer Food Program

Allston

Allston/Brighton APAC

Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church

Joseph M. Smith Community Health Center – Hunger Prevention Project

Amesbury

Our Neighbors’ Table

Amherst

Amherst Survival Center

Massachusetts Farm to School Project

Arlington

Town of Arlington Health and Human Services Food Pantry

Ashburnham

Ashburnham Community Church Food Pantry

Ashfield

Hilltown Churches Food Pantry

Athol

Salvation Army

Attleboro

Attleboro Area Council of Churches – Food ‘n Friends Kitchens

Community Care Services – Family Resource Center

Hebron Food Pantry, Inc.

Self Help, Inc. – Attleboro Food Pantry

St. Joseph’s Food Cellar

Auburn

Auburn Youth and Family Service

Baldwinville

Templeton Food Pantry

Working to End Hunger



Working with partners in 135 communities throughout the state, Project Bread strengthens local programs to feed hungry children where they live, learn, and play. The goal of this work is to ensure that each family in our state has the same chance to grow and thrive.



“The food I receive really helps prepare good meals for me and my children during hard times.”

— Mother at Boston Medical Center Preventative Food Pantry, Boston

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Bedford

Bedford Community Table/Pantry, Inc.

Beverly

Beverly Bootstraps Community Services

First Baptist Church

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

Boston

ABCD – Child Care Choices of Boston – SNAP Application Program

ABCD Elm Hill Family Services Center – Elm Hill Food Pantry

ABCD North End/West End – Emergency Food Program

ABCD South End Neighborhood Action Program Food Pantry

AIDS Action Committee of Massachusetts

American Red Cross of Massachusetts Bay – Boston Food Pantry, Food Drive for the Hungry, and SNAP Application Program

Asian American Civic Association – Ricesticks and Tea

Asian Task Force Against Domestic Violence

Bay Cove Human Services – Center Club

Boston Can Share

Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program – Barbara McInnis House Respite Program

Boston Medical Center – Preventative Food Pantry

Boston Public Health Commission – Summer Food Program

Boston Public Schools Department of Food & Nutrition Services – Summer Food Program

Boston Rescue Mission, Inc.

Boston Senior Home Care – Food for Seniors Project

Boston University Student Food Rescue

Bridge Over Troubled Waters, Inc.

Cathedral Church of St. Paul – Monday Lunch Program

Catholic Charities – El Centro del Cardenal Food Pantry

Catholic Charities – Refugee & Immigration Services

Church of the Advent – Tuesday Community Dinner

Church of the Covenant Food Cupboard

City Mission Society – Emergency Needs Network

Concord Baptist Church – Mary Elizabeth Missionary Food Pantry

Emmanuel Gospel Center – Starlight Ministries

Friday Night Supper Program

Grace and Hope Mission, Inc.

Grant AME Church – Self-Help, Inc.

The Greater Boston Food Bank

Haley House, Inc. – Soup Kitchen/Food Pantry

Healthy Baby/Healthy Child Program

International Institute of Boston, Inc.

Interseminarian – Project Place

Latin American Health Institute of Boston – SNAP Application Program



Working to End Hunger

“I know people say that young people, 21 and under, don’t participate in civic events, but you can’t judge that by the Project Bread’s Walk for Hunger, and I think that’s one of the things that has really endeared me to this event. There are so many families that walk as a group and so many school groups. It’s inspiring.”

— Philomena Hare,
Brockton Salvation Army,
Checkpoint 6 Bus Stop Coordinator

Project Bread supports nearly 400 emergency food programs in 135 communities throughout the state for those who are in immediate need of food. Where there is no specific project named, the organization listed received a grant for emergency food or food equipment.



Neighborhood Action, Inc.
New England Shelter for Homeless Veterans
Paulist Center – Wednesday Night Supper Club
Peoples Baptist Church – Adella Klugh Missionary Society
Pine Street Inn
Rosie’s Place
Salvation Army
Saturday’s and Sunday’s Bread
South End Community Health Center
St. Anthony Shrine & Ministry Center
St. Francis House
Union United Methodist Church
Wang YMCA of Chinatown – Summer Food Program
Women’s Lunch Place

Bourne

Friends of Bourne Council on Aging – Bourne Friends Food Pantry

Braintree

Braintree Community Food Pantry
Braintree Holidays/Friends, Inc.
Senior Citizens Independent Center, Inc.

Brighton

Allston/Brighton Food Pantry

Brockton

Brockton Neighborhood Health Center – Hunger Prevention Project

Brockton Public Schools – Summer Food Program
Catholic Charities South – Brockton Food Pantry
Charity Guild Food Pantry
Dovecrest Montessori Academy – Summer Food Program
First Evangelical Lutheran Church – Food for Friends Food Pantry
Full Gospel Tabernacle Food Pantry
Lost & Found Ministries
MainSpring, Inc.
Mt. Moriah Emergency Food Program
Pentecost United Methodist Church Food Pantry
Salvation Army
Trinity Baptist Church – MANNA Ministry

Burlington

People Helping People, Inc. – Burlington Community Food Pantry

Cambridge

Benjamin Banneker Charter Public School – School Breakfast Excellence Award
Bread and Jams, Inc.
Cambridge Cares About AIDS – Youth on Fire
Cambridge Economic Opportunity Committee – CEOC Food Pantry and SNAP Application Program
Cambridgeport Baptist Church – Harvest Food Pantry
City of Cambridge Council on Aging – Senior Center Food Pantry
CommonCare
East End House, Inc. – Emergency Food Program
First Church Shelter

Working to End Hunger



Project Bread, in partnership with the Office of Mayor Thomas M. Menino, the Boston Public Schools, and the Boston Public Health Commission, launched Chefs in Schools, a program that is now bringing cutting-edge nutrition to eight low-income Boston schools.



Ellen Parker presents Chef Kirk Conrad with a Special Friend of Children Award at Project Bread's 2009 Appreciation and Grant Award Ceremony for his work as the executive chef of Boston's Chefs in Schools Initiative.



“In the past, these children were bombarded with sugar, processed snack foods, and fried foods. They were overweight and some were pre-diabetic. We set out to change the health and future of the young demographic. We include fresh fruits, fresh vegetables, homemade soups, sauces, whole grains, fresh ingredients, and a ‘eat smart, be smart’ approach.”

— Chef Kirk Conrad, speaking at Project Bread's 2009 Appreciation and Grant Award Ceremony

Food for Free Committee – Produce Rescue and Distribution
Harvard Square Churches Meal Program, Inc.
Loaves & Fishes Meal Program – First Korean Congregational Church
Margaret Fuller Neighborhood House – Emergency Food Pantry
Massachusetts Alliance of Portuguese Speakers
Massachusetts Avenue Baptist Church – Project Manna
Pentecostal Tabernacle Food Pantry
Root Cause – Chefs in Schools Initiative
Salvation Army
Shelter, Inc.
St. James Episcopal Church – Helping Hands Food Pantry
St. Paul AME Church – Food Pantry
Union Baptist Church – Project Uplift

Canton

Canton Area Helpline – Canton Food Pantry

Charlestown

Harvest on Vine

Charlton

CHIP-IN Food Pantry of Charlton

Chelmsford

Chelmsford Community Exchange, Inc. – Chelmsford Food Pantry

Chelsea

Chelsea Salvation Army – Chelsea, East Boston
Community Action Programs Inter-City, Inc.
MGH Chelsea HealthCare Center – Food for Families Project
Network of Community Food Providers – Chelsea Community Kitchen
Roca, Inc. – Youth STAR Food Pantry
Saint Luke's San Lucas Episcopal Church

Chicopee

Lorraine's Soup Kitchen and Pantry, Inc.
Mission Center, New Jerusalem, Inc.
Stefanik Elementary School – School Breakfast Excellence Award

Clinton

James 2:15 Kitchen
WHEAT Community Services

Concord

Open Table, Inc.

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To launch the Chefs in School Initiative, Chef Kirk Conrad, Project Bread's Executive Director Ellen Parker, Boston Mayor Thomas M. Menino, and Superintendent Carol Johnson open a new BPS Café with parents and children at the King K-8 school in Dorchester.

Project Bread provides Better Breakfast and Lunch Incentive Grants to schools and summer food programs that adopt the standards for cutting-edge nutrition achieved through its collaboration with the Harvard School of Public Health and the Tufts School of Nutrition.

"Eating a healthy diet is so important not only to the physical well-being but to success in the classroom. The Chefs in Schools Initiative has been remarkably effective in helping our students to eat healthy meals, and that didn't always happen with the traditional school lunches."

— Boston Mayor Thomas M. Menino

Dedham

Dedham Food Pantry

Dennisport

Hands of Hope Outreach Center

Devens

Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry

Dorchester

Bethel Tabernacle Pentecostal Church – Bethel Food Pantry

Catholic Charitable Bureau of the Archdiocese of Boston – Yawkey Center Food Pantry

Codman Square Health Center – Emergency Food Program and Food for Families Project

Dorchester House Multi-Service Center – Emergency Food Program and Food for Families Project

Earthen Vessels, Inc. – Tutoring Program/Summer Camp

Emmanuel Temple Food Pantry

Faith Pentecostal Church Food Pantry

Full Life Gospel Center Food Pantry

Harvard Street Neighborhood Health Center, Inc. – Food Pantry

Kit Clark Senior Services

Mt. Calvary Holy Church

Neponset Health Center – Emergency Food Program and Hunger Prevention Project

Project Care and Concern

Refuge and Relief Ministry, Inc. – Food Pantry/Meal Program and Summer Food Program

St. Mary's Episcopal Church – Food Pantry

Upham's Corner Health Center – Hunger Prevention Project and SNAP Application Program

Veterans Benefit Clearinghouse, Inc. – Food Pantry

Women of Color AIDS Council, Inc.

East Boston

AVANCE, Inc. – SNAP Application Program

East Boston APAC

East Boston Ecumenical Community Council – SNAP Application Program

East Boston Neighborhood Health Center – Hunger Prevention Project

East Boston YMCA – Summer Food Program

Harborside Community Center School Council, Inc. – Super Club

Mario Umana Middle School Academy – Chefs in Schools Program

Most Holy Redeemer – Our Daily Bread Food Pantry

Easthampton

Easthampton Community Center

Everett

Boys and Girls Club of Middlesex County – Summer Food Program

Immaculate Conception – St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

Tri-City Community Action Program, Inc. – Old Everett High School Summer Food Program

Working to End Hunger



Project Bread works with a variety of organizations devoted to helping seniors get enough nutritious food to eat. One new initiative provides funds to home care organizations, enabling them to fill the pantries of frail, home-bound seniors as part of their regular home visit.

Fall River

Carlton M. Viveiros Elementary School – School Breakfast Excellence Award
Citizens for Citizens, Inc. – Food Pantry and SNAP Application Program
Community Development Recreation – Summer Food Program
Ferry Street Ministries Inc. – Feed My Sheep
Greater Fall River Community Food Pantry
Healthfirst Family Care Center – Hunger Prevention Project
People's Inc. – Children's Services Division
St. Anne's Food Pantry

Falmouth

Falmouth Service Center – Food Pantry and SNAP Application Program

Fitchburg

B. F. Brown Middle School – School Breakfast Excellence Award
Cleghorn Neighborhood Center – Community Food Pantry
Fitchburg Public Schools – Summer Food Program
Gardner Visiting Nursing Association, Inc. – Community Services Center
Montachusett Opportunity Council, Inc. – Leona Fleming Food Pantry
Salvation Army

Framingham

Framingham Civic League, Inc. – Saturday Meals Program

Framingham Public Schools Food Service Department – Summer Food Program
MetroWest YMCA – Summer Food Program
Salvation Army
South Middlesex Opportunity Council – Elderly Nutrition Program/Metro West Harvest
St. Bridget's Food Pantry

Franklin

Franklin Food Pantry, Inc.

Gardner

Gardner Community Action Committee, Inc.
Montachusett Veterans Outreach Center – MVOC Food Pantry

Gloucester

The Open Door/Cape Ann Food Pantry

Greenfield

Community Action – Center for Self Reliance Food Pantry
Community Action – First Call for Help – SNAP Application Program
Salvation Army
Tapestry Health Systems – HIV Client Services Program

Hamilton

Acord Food Pantry, Inc.

Working to End Hunger



Harwich

Family Pantry Corporation

Hatfield

The Food Bank of Western Massachusetts

Haverhill

Calvary Baptist Church – Calvary's Kitchen
Catholic Charities of the Merrimack Valley – Open Hand Food Pantry
Community Action, Inc. – Drop-In Center & Amesbury Center
Emmaus, Inc.
Haverhill Public Schools – Summer Food Program
Joyful Ladle
Open Hearts Ministries
Pregnancy Care Center of Merrimack Valley –
Mother/Child/Family Food Bank

Holyoke

Boys and Girls Club of Greater Holyoke –
Evening Hot Meals Program
Holyoke Health Center – Hunger Prevention Project
Providence Ministries of the Needy – Margaret's Pantry
Salvation Army

Hopkinton

Project Just Because, Inc. – Hopkinton Food Pantry

Hudson

Agape Café

Hull

Wellspring, Inc.

Huntington

Pioneer Valley Assembly of God – Huntington Food Pantry

Hyannis

Barnstable County Department of Human Services – Summer Food Program
Calvary Baptist Church – Calvary's Pantry/Kitchen
Cape Cod Child Development Program Food Pantry
Faith Assembly of God – Summer Food Program
First Baptist Church of Hyannis
Housing Assistance Corporation – NOAH Emergency Shelter
Nam Vets Association of the Cape & Islands – Veteran's Food Pantry
Salvation Army
Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Hyannis Food Pantry

Project Bread provides grants to community health centers to support its Hunger Prevention Project to screen patients for food insecurity, provide immediate assistance through a food voucher to buy groceries as well as other long-term food support.



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Hyde Park

Hyde Park Emergency Food Pantry

Indian Orchard

Community Survival Center – Emergency Food Program

Jamaica Plain

Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program

Brookside Community Health Center – Food for Families Project

Community Servings, Inc. – Emergency Meal Program and Summer Food Program

Ethos – Food for Seniors Project

Greek Orthodox Diocese of Boston – Philoxenia House

Jamaica Plain APAC

Little Brothers – Friends of the Elderly

Southern Jamaica Plain Health Center – Food for Families Project

Young Achievers Science and Mathematics Pilot School – Better Breakfast Initiative

Kingston

Plymouth Area Coalition for the Homeless – Pilgrims Hope Food Pantry

Lakeville

Mullein Hill Baptist Church – Hearts of Abundance Food Pantry

Lanesborough

Lanesborough VFW Post 10338 – Veteran's Food Pantry

Lawrence

Bread & Roses

Greater Lawrence Community Boating Program – Summer Food Program

Greater Lawrence Family Health Center – Hunger Prevention Project

Lazarus House, Inc.

Ministerio Los Milagros de Jesus – Food for the World Pantry

Neighbors in Need, Inc.

Salvation Army

Si, Se Puede, Inc.

Leominster

First Baptist Church of Leominster – Food and Clothes Cupboard

Leominster United Methodist Church – Ruth's Harvest Pantry

The Spanish American Center, Inc. – Food Pantry and Summer Food Program

Lincoln

The Food Project

Food for Families is a Project Bread community health center program, co-sponsored by Partners HealthCare, that evaluates a family's food insecurity and provides them with help through food vouchers and by enrolling them in SNAP (food stamps).



Working to End Hunger



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Lowell Mayor Edward C. Caulfield and Karen Frederick (second from right) of Community Teamwork, Inc. (CTI) accepted a grant for \$4,000 from Project Bread's Elaine Taber (far right) at Shedd Park in Lowell. Also photographed were Jennifer Hashley of the New Entry Sustainable Farming Project and Julie Salois and Connie Martin, both from CTI. With Project Bread's help, CTI and New Entry provide a better lunch with farm fresh food each day to the children.

"The Summer Food Program is so important to Lowell children. I hope that Lowell families continue to take advantage of these sites. They are a smart resource at any time and especially now with the economic downturn. It's unfortunate that there are some who, without this program, might not have access to healthy meals all summer long."

— Lowell Mayor Edward C. Caulfield

Lowell

Catholic Charities of the Merrimack Valley – Lowell Food Pantry
Central Food Ministry, Inc.
Community Teamwork Inc. – Mobile Farmer's Market and Summer Food Program
House of Hope, Inc.
Lowell Community Health Center – Hunger Prevention Project
Lowell Housing Authority – Summer Food Grant
The Merrimack Valley Food Bank, Inc. – The Mobile Pantry and Summer Food Program
Open Pantry of Greater Lowell
Salvation Army
Transitional Living Center, Inc. – Resident/Community Meals

Lynn

Catholic Charities North – Lynn Food Pantry
East Coast International Church Food Pantry
Lynn City Mission
Lynn Community Health Center – Food for Families Project
Lynn Economic Opportunity, Inc. – SNAP Application Program and Summer Food Program
Lynn Public Schools – Summer Food Project
Lynn Shelter Association – Emergency Shelter
My Brother's Table

Salvation Army

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – St. Joseph Conference Food Pantry
St. Mary's Parish Tree of Life Pantry

Malden

Bread of Life
CHA Malden Family Medicine Center – Hunger Prevention Project
Emmanuel Baptist Church – G.G. Jefferson Emergency Food Pantry Ministry
Malden Haitian Church of the Nazarene Food Pantry
Malden Public Schools Food Service Department – Summer Food Program
Malden YMCA – Summer Food Program
North Shore Assembly of God Food Pantry
Philadelphie SDA Church – Emergency Food Program and Summer Food Program
Salvation Army

Mansfield

Our Daily Bread: Friends Caring and Sharing

Marlborough

Marlborough Community Services, Inc. – Marlborough Food Pantry

Working to End Hunger



Project Bread provides grants to multi-service community programs to help them enroll eligible families in SNAP, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program formerly known as food stamps.



Mr. Dimitrios Deligiannides and his wife, Hariclia Deligiannides, from the Hellenic Gospel Church Food Pantry in Newton at Project Bread's 2009 Appreciation and Grant Award Ceremony

Mashpee

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Christ the King Conference Food Pantry

Mattapan

Dorchester Nazarene Compassionate Center

Glad Tidings Food Pantry

Greater Victory Temple Food Pantry

Haitian American Public Health Initiatives, Inc.

Maynard

Maynard Food Pantry, Inc.

Medford

Medford Housing Authority – Summer Food Program

Tri-City Community Action Program, Inc. – Summer Food Program

Unitarian Universalist Church of Medford – Community Cupboard Food Pantry

Medway

Medway Village Church

Methuen

Methuen Arlington Neighborhood, Inc. – Summer Food Program

Methuen Housing Authority – Summer Food Program

Methuen Public Schools – Summer Food Program

Middleboro

Central Baptist Church – Love in Action Ministry

Central Congregational Church – Caring Center

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Sacred Heart Parish Outreach Food Pantry

Milford

Daily Bread Food Pantry

Salvation Army

Millis

Millis Ecumenical Food Pantry

Milton

Boston Minuteman Council – Boy Scouts of America – Scouting for Food

Milton Community Food Pantry

Natick

A Place To Turn

Working to End Hunger



The following organizations received grants from Project Bread through its Walk for Hunger and the Massachusetts Child Hunger Initiative (MCHI) during the 2008–2009 funding period. They include emergency food programs, schools, after-school programs, summer food programs, health centers, and neighborhood organizations.



“We rely on The Walk for Hunger funding to assist us at the soup kitchen as the numbers there are higher now than they have ever been. We used to have two meal sittings a day at the shelter. Now we are having four or five. I cannot stress how important Project Bread and The Walk for Hunger are for us as an agency. We look toward Project Bread to raise awareness for our cause, and focus the public’s eye on hunger, which touches so many people and families across our community. The support from Project Bread has made it possible for us to provide what we can to the people who need all that we can give.”

— Sister Rose, Pantry Coordinator,
Market Ministries Inc., New Bedford

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New Bedford

American Red Cross – Greater New Bedford Chapter Food Pantry and SNAP Application Program
Catholic Social Services – Solanus Casey Food Pantry
Grace Episcopal Food Pantry Church
Market Ministries, Inc.
New Bedford Recreation Department – Summer Food Program
People Acting in Community Endeavors – PACE Food Pantry
Salvation Army
St. Lawrence Parish Food Pantry
United Way of Southeastern Massachusetts – Hunger Commission of Southeastern Massachusetts

Newton

Hellenic Gospel Church
Newton Food Pantry
Synagogue Council of Massachusetts – Project Ezra

North Adams

Berkshire Food Project – Emergency Food Program and SNAP Application Program
Salvation Army
Vietnam Veterans of America 54

North Andover

People’s Pantry

Northampton

Community Action – First Call for Help – SNAP Application Program
MANNA Soup Kitchen, Inc.
Northampton Survival Center
ServiceNet, Inc. – Emergency Shelters

Norwood

Ecumenical Food Pantry of Norwood

Onset

Onset Foursquare Church – Heart & Soul Soup Kitchen

Orange

Community Action – First Call for Help – SNAP Application Program
Orange Public Schools – Summer Food Program

Orleans

Lower Cape Outreach Council, Inc.



Peabody

Haven from Hunger

Healthy Peabody Collaborative – Summer Food Program

Peabody Institute Library – Summer Food Program

Pepperell

Friends of the Pepperell Senior Center Food Pantry
Pepperell Aid from Community to Home Outreach, Inc.

Pittsfield

Berkshire Community Action Council – BCAC Food Pantry

First United Methodist Church – Summer Food Program

Pittsfield Family YMCA – Summer Food Program

Pittsfield Public Schools Food Service Department – Summer Food Program

Salvation Army

Plymouth

Catholic Charities South – Plymouth Guild Food Pantry

Salvation Army

South Shore Community Action Council, Inc.

Pocasset

Friends of Bourne Council on Aging

Provincetown

AIDS Support Group of Cape Cod

Soup Kitchen in Provincetown

Quincy

Esther R. Sanger Center for Compassion – Quincy Crisis Center

Germantown Neighborhood Center Pantry

Greater Boston Chinese Community Services – Summer Food Program

Working to End Hunger

Project Bread provides Breakfast Excellence Awards to low-income schools that make breakfast a part of the school day and thereby achieve 80 percent participation rates.

“This program is amazing. The change in student’s punctuality and the improvement in the children’s behavior and attention have been dramatic!”

— Principal Joan Yaeger of the Columbus Elementary School in Medford on breakfast in the classroom

Interfaith Social Services, Inc. – Pantry Shelf

Quincy Community Action Programs, Inc. – Emergency Food Center and SNAP Application Program

Quincy Interfaith Sheltering Coalition – Father Bill’s Place

Quincy Public Schools, Food Service Department – Summer Food Program

Salvation Army

Randolph

Ben-Emmanuel Ambassadors of the Messiah Church

Randolph Public Schools – Summer Food Program

Town of Randolph Recreation Department – Summer Food Program

Raynham

Raynham Food Basket, Inc.

Reading

Arc of East Middlesex Food Pantry

Revere

A.C. Whelan Elementary School – Better Breakfast Initiative

Beachmont Veterans Memorial School – Better Breakfast Initiative

First Congregational Church of Revere Food Pantry

Garfield Middle School – Better Breakfast Initiative

Abraham Lincoln School – Better Breakfast Initiative
MGH Revere HealthCare Center – Food for Families Project

Paul Revere School – Better Breakfast Initiative

Revere Public Schools – Summer Food Program

Revere Recreation Department – Summer Food Program

Rumney Marsh Academy – Better Breakfast Initiative

Susan B. Anthony Middle School – Better Breakfast Initiative

William McKinley School – Better Breakfast Initiative

Working to End Hunger



Project Bread supports nearly 400 emergency food programs in 135 communities throughout the state for those who are in immediate need of food. Where there is no specific project named, the organization listed received a grant for emergency food or food equipment.



“Although we are working diligently with our community partners to reduce hunger, due to the high cost of living, the need continues to rise.”

— Megan Pete, The Food Bank of Western Massachusetts, Hatfield

Roslindale

Roslindale Congregational Church Food Pantry

Roxbury

ABCD Parker Hill/Fenway Neighborhood Service Center
Bethel Baptist Church Open Door Kitchen
Black Ministerial Alliance
Central Boston Elder Services – Food for Seniors Project
Church of God of Prophecy Food Pantry
Hawthorne Youth and Community Center, Inc.
Omega Men in Action – OMIA Emergency Food Pantry
Resurrection Lutheran Church Food Pantry
Salvation Army
Sojourner House, Inc.
St. Katharine Drexel Parish – Warwick House
Twelfth Baptist Church Food Pantry

Salem

Catholic Charities North – Salem Food Pantry
Jewish Family Service of the North Shore, Inc. – Temple Israel
Salem Food Pantry
Salem Mission
Salem Public Schools – Summer Food Program
Salvation Army
Save Our Children
St. Joseph’s Food Pantry

Salisbury

Pettengill House Food Pantry

Shrewsbury

Worcester County Food Bank

Somerset

Church of Our Saviour – Annelle Delorme Hagerman Food Pantry

Somerville

Boys and Girls Club of Middlesex County, Blessing of the Bay Boathouse – Summer Food Program
Catholic Charities – Somerville Food Pantry
Somerville/Cambridge Elder Services
Somerville Homeless Coalition – Project SOUP

South Boston

Catholic Charitable Bureau Labouré Center – Initial Response Program
Fourth Presbyterian Church Food Pantry

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Children at the Labouré Center's "Youth Tutoring Youth" summer program pose with Ellen Parker, executive director of Project Bread (center), Heather Ho, program director at the Labouré Center, Edith Murnane, social enterprise manager of Community Servings, and Rosario Dominguez, vice president of programs at Community Servings (from left to right). Project Bread's grant to Community Servings enables them to provide healthy meals with fresh fruits and vegetables to children 18 and under. The Labouré Center is one of five area sites sponsored by Community Servings that is piloting Project Bread's "Better Summer Meals" program.

"Community Servings is committed to bringing local, sustainable agriculture to the clients we serve, whether they be the students we feed throughout the summer and school year or those who are critically ill or homebound. We are proud to partner with Project Bread in ensuring that the children in our communities receive good tasting, healthy meals that support local, sustainable agriculture during the summer when they are out of school."

— Rosario Dominguez, vice president of programs,
Community Servings

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Julie's Family Learning Program

South Boston Community Health Center – Food for Families Project

St. Monica – St. Augustine's Parish Food Pantry

South Easton

My Brother's Keeper, Inc. – Food Assistance Program

Southwick

Southwick Family Support Coalition – Southwick Food Pantry

Spencer

Mary, Queen of the Rosary Food Pantry

Springfield

Alliance to Develop Power

Baystate Mason Square Health Center – Hunger Prevention Project

Caring Health Center – Hunger Prevention Project

Episcopal Diocese of Western Massachusetts – Summer Food Program

The Food Bank of Western Massachusetts – Target Hunger

Gray House, Inc. – Food Pantry

Holy Redeemer Cathedral

Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center – Food Distribution Program

Open Pantry Community Services, Inc. – Loaves and Fishes Kitchen and Food Pantry and SNAP Application Program

Salvation Army

Springfield Public Schools, Nutrition Department – Summer Food Program

Square One – Summer Food Program

Stoughton

Ilse Marks Food Pantry

St. Anthony's Free Market

Stoughton Food Pantry

Stow

Stow Food Pantry

Sudbury

Sudbury Community Food Pantry

Taunton

Citizens for Citizens, Inc. – Food Pantry and SNAP Application Program

City of Taunton – Summer Food Program

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7NEWS Anchor Anne Allred with Reverend Howard McClendon at Project Bread's 2009 Walk Kickoff Breakfast.

“Project Bread works with people in grassroots organizations that don’t have every “i” dotted and every “t” crossed but have a big heart to help people and who make a difference in their neighborhoods. So let me encourage you to join them, in this time of economic uncertainty — in this time of need — if we ever needed to sow seeds and have a stockpile of grace and goodwill coming our way, it’s now.”

— Reverend Howard McClendon, Campus Minister,
Head of Interfaith Programs, Boston College

Coyle & Cassidy High School Food Pantry
Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen
Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Food Pantry and
Salvage Center
Taunton Public Schools – Summer Food Program

Turners Falls

Franklin County Community Meals
Montague Parks and Recreation Department –
Summer Food Program

Vineyard Haven

Island Council on Aging – Island Food Pantry

Wakefield

Wakefield Interfaith Food Pantry

Waltham

American Red Cross – Waltham Food Pantry and
SNAP Application Program
Jewish Family and Children’s Service – Family Table
Food Pantry
Middlesex Human Service Agency, Inc. – Bristol
Lodge Kitchen
Sacred Heart Church Food Pantry
Salvation Army
Waltham Fields Community Farms Outreach
Waltham Public Schools, Department of Food
Services – Summer Food Program

Wareham

Damien’s Place – The Family Pantry
Gleason Family YMCA – Summer Food Program
Good Shepherd Church

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Wareham Food
Pantry

St. Patrick’s Church – St. Patrick’s Table

Wareham Public Schools – Summer Food Program

Wareham Unit of Boys and Girls Club of Greater New
Bedford – Summer Food Program

Watertown

Springwell – Emergency Meals for Homebound Elders
Watertown Council on Aging – Watertown Food
Pantry

Wayland

Celebration International Church – The Food
Storehouse

Webster

Boys & Girls Club of Webster Dudley, Inc. – Summer
Food Program

Westfield

Boys & Girls Club of Greater Westfield, Inc. –
Summer Food Program
Franklin Avenue Public Elementary School – School
Breakfast Excellence Award

Westford

Friends of the Cameron Senior Center – Westford
Community Food Pantry

West Roxbury

May Institute – May Behavioral Health

Working to End Hunger



Project Bread provides grants to multi-service community programs to help them enroll eligible families on SNAP, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (formerly food stamps).



“The economic climate has made it so people cannot bounce back like they used to. The grant we get from The Walk for Hunger is a big part of our budget, and it all goes toward food. We use it to buy protein and to fill in the gap of our emergency grocery supply.”

— Pat Adams, Director, Weymouth Council for the Hungry, Weymouth

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West Springfield

Parish Cupboard
Victory Temple Food Pantry

West Townsend

Townsend Ecumenical Outreach

Weymouth

Weymouth Council for the Hungry

Whitman

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Whitman Food Pantry

Winchendon

Winchendon Community Action Committee, Inc.

Woburn

North Suburban YMCA – Summer Food Program
Woburn Council of Social Concern, Inc. – Food Pantry

Worcester

AIDS Project Worcester
Catholic Charities – Worcester County Food Pantry
Centro Las Americas – Emergency Food Pantry
El Buen Samaritano Food Program
Family Health Center of Worcester, Inc. – Hunger Prevention Project
Friendly House, Inc. – Food Pantry
Henry Lee Willis Community Center, Inc. – Great Brook Valley Neighborhood Center
Jeremiah's Inn
Massachusetts Veterans, Inc.
Mt. Carmel Outreach Ministry
Pernet Family Health Service – Emergency Services
Quinsigamond Village Community Center Food Pantry
Rachel's Table
Regional Environment Council – Farmer's Market Project and Summer Food Program
Salvation Army
South High Community School – School Breakfast Excellence Award
South Middlesex Opportunity Council – Worcester Public Inebriate Program, Inc.
South Worcester Neighborhood Center
The Worcester Community Action Council – SNAP Application Project

Worthington

Hilltown Community Health Center – Hunger Prevention Project

It's about making lives better.

"Volunteering for the Walk is a great way to teach kids to give back"

— Mother at Checkpoint 4

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www.projectbread.org/donate

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www.projectbread.org/breadwinners

Walk for Hunger

The Walk is always the first Sunday in May. Share this awe-inspiring experience with friends, family, classmates, and coworkers.

www.projectbread.org/walk

Corporate Partner

Help hungry people in your community by supporting Project Bread through matching gifts, payroll deductions, event sponsorship, or corporate contributions.

www.projectbread.org/sponsorship

Volunteer

Volunteer at a local food pantry once or on a regular basis. Project Bread also needs 2,000 Volunteers for the 2010 Walk for Hunger.

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