



United Way of Forsyth County Facts About Food

- In partnership with the Forsyth County Post Office and Georgia Mountain Food Bank, United Way of Forsyth County met the critical needs of more than **8 local food pantries** through the **National Association of Letter Carriers Food Drive** in May, 2017. Over **10,000 pounds** of food was collected at mail boxes and distributed to food pantries, allowing them to increase their support to families during the summer months when the need is at its highest.
- In 2017, The Place of Forsyth County served **165+** families each week in the food pantry, **140** mobile households receive food regularly, and **1554** lbs of fresh veggies from their garden. More than **4,705** meals were served through the Noon Day Meal program.
- Through a partnership with Outreach, Inc. and the support of local businesses and civic organizations, **156,000 meals** were packaged and distributed to eight local food pantries during United Way of Forsyth County's **2017 Day of Caring** event.
- With the support of United Way, Lambert High School's **Blessings in a Backpack Program** has packed over **5,000** backpacks of food and delivered them to hundreds of food insecure students in Forsyth County each weekend during the school year.
- The **Georgia Mountain Food Bank**, which serves Hall, Dawson, Forsyth, Lumpkin and Union counties, provided more than **5,244,663** pounds of food throughout the year, to food insecure families and individuals.
- **17.4%** of Forsyth County students are eligible to participate in the Free & Reduced Meal program. Cumming Elementary has a participation rate of **64%**, Otwell Middle School has a participation rate of **35%** and Forsyth Central High School has a **27%** participation rate.
- **12,705** sack lunches were delivered to students in need through the **Bags of Love** food supplemental program in 2016. This program feeds hungry children during the summer months.

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To improve lives in our community by mobilizing the caring power and spirit of our citizens.

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