

EXCITING PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

Harvest Regional Food Bank recently broke ground on the construction of an addition to our warehouse and facility, which will allow the food bank to provide even more hunger relief to food insecure families in need, throughout Northeast Texas and Southwest Arkansas.

Thanks to the generous support of the Mackenzie Scott Foundation, Feeding America, and many generous local donors, this additional space will include a multi-purpose education and community room, as well as a commercial kitchen, which will allow for cooking and wellness classes, and increase the food banks capacity to prepare nutritious meals for several ongoing feeding programs.

“This multipurpose space will allow us to address hunger in new ways and create long-term solutions to food insecurity.” According to Camille Coker Wrinkle, Harvest Regional Food Bank Chief Executive Officer. “For example, the new commercial kitchen will allow us to partner with culinary programs to prepare meals for our summer and after-school feeding programs and, as a result, we can add more local feeding sites, and reach more food insecure children than ever before.



Another focus of the recent expansion will be community education, and collaboration with other local charities to address the overall issue of poverty and food insecurity. Harvest will utilize the multi-purpose area to offer financial wellness and nutrition classes to the community, and allow other non-profits to use the space to educate those they serve.

Harvest Regional Food Bank is excited for this next step in our mission to end hunger in Northeast Texas and Southwest Arkansas.

GOOD TIMES ARE BACK, AND IT WAS A SUCCESS!

Taste of Texarkana is back, and its return was a successful night for Harvest Regional Food Bank. After canceling the event for three years due to COVID-19, we wanted to bring it back with a bang! Nearly 2,000 excited guests gathered together to sample delicious foods from over 40 restaurants, caterers, and beverage providers.

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A special thank you goes to our Presenting Sponsor, Dr. Ly and Mr. Aaron Gaylor, along with several generous sponsors and volunteers, including the Texarkana Regional Correction Center, who provided assistance in setting up and breaking down the event.

Thank you to everyone who helped make the 29th Annual Taste of Texarkana one of the best events yet!

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| Best Dessert | Buttercup Bakery |
| Crowd Favorite | Chef on the Run |
| Best Spread | Cornerstone |
| Rookie of the Year | Texas Chuckwagon |
| Best in Show | Eagle Distributing |
| Harvester's Pick | Coca-Cola Refreshments |
| Best Spirit | Blue Water Bayou |
| Best Theme | Monjuni's Italian Cafe |
| Best of Taste | Silver Star Smokehouse |



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318

New Donors Since This Time Last Year



7,800

Calls to the Food Bank for Assistance



Over 13,000

Commodity Boxes Distributed in 2022 through Mobile Pantries



112

Requests for Assistance Via Our Website or Facebook



33,328

Visitors on Our Website in the Last 12 Months



4.2 Million

Pounds Distributed to in 2022

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