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It All began With Our Partners...

And their support continues to grow even as the need grows.

They call it "Spooky to Be Hungry" and the word "spooky" means a lot. It is a clever reference to Halloween which is when **Oak Grove UMC** goes all out to support THCA each year. But in a more serious vein it certainly is frightening to wonder where your family's next meal is coming from. And in a society that has so much wealth it's frightening how much hunger is out there in our communities.

Each year during Halloween week THCA partner **Oak Grove UMC** puts out 5,000 bags in the area for neighbors to fill with non-perishable food items. These wonderful volunteers then collect, sort, box and label approximately 600 boxes and then deliver it in trucks and car trunks to THCA to help stock the pantry. **And this year it's "spooky" how well the neighborhood responded: over 900 boxes holding 15,000 pounds of food!**

It takes an amazing amount of effort from all of our dedicated partners to meet the increased demand for our services to the hungry and the homeless as together we respond to our mission to be a caring community dedicated to compassion in action.

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"Spooky" volunteers delivering boxes of food to THCA!

[Here's how you can help them.](#)

Our volunteers pack and distribute over 20,000 pounds of food every week. The "Spooky to be Hungry" drive that delivered the boxes of food you see (and then some!) will stock the pantry with non-perishable items through January.

[Click here to see what we pack in a food box .](#)



Since the Covid-19 outbreak, we have served as many people through the end of July as in ALL of 2019. The need has doubled since March. Our volunteers are working hard to meet these needs but they need your help. **So during the month of November we're asking for your help. Please support our first ever annual campaign to "Stock the Pantry" to feed more hungry and homeless neighbors in 2021 by clicking the DONATE button below.**

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