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## The numbers are going up- not down. EVERY dollar helps us keep pace with the growing numbers of neighbors that need our help.

We spend a significant amount of time counting and adding up our "numbers".

- How many families?
- How many children in those families?
- How many pounds of food?
- How many boxes to hold that food that goes to those families?
- How many...well, you get the idea.

Our reliance on numbers helps us plan efficiently SO WE DON'T RUN OUT OF FOOD and other supplies when we need it most. The numbers also help us project a little bit into the future. Because we pay attention to the numbers we know that the percentage of unhoused neighbors receiving our services has grown from 14% in 2021 to over 20% this year.

And, as you know by now, the numbers go up - not down.



## Here's just a few October numbers:

**89,846 pounds** of groceries were distributed to **1,434 families** with **3,984 individuals**. 52% of the families had children.

**2,567 articles of clothing** were distributed to families in need. Shoes. Coats. Clothes to go to work and clothes to go to school. Socks for our unhoused neighbors.

**15,000+ pounds** of food were received from Oak Grove UMC's "**Spooky to be Hungry**" food drive.

**480 pounds** of food go into weekend backpacks each month at Laurel Ridge Elementary so those children in need have something to eat on Saturdays and Sundays.

**30 families** served by La Amistad receive groceries each month through our partnership with Clairmont Presbyterian.

Your monthly support as a Sustaining Donor will really help us as we prepare to meet the growing needs of the hungry and the homeless in north DeKalb.

Click here to become a Sustaining Donor!

We receive a LOT of donated food but still have to purchase food and other supplies from our network of providers to meet the needs of our hungry and homeless neighbors:

- Your gift of \$120 (just \$10 a month) will fill our refrigerated delivery van with gas (twice!) so it can pick up donated food from our area partners.
- Your gift of \$50 will fill a box of food for a family of four for a week. OR
  one week's worth of boxes to put it in.



As you can see- every gift is important and needed. Because the numbers are going up- not down.

Please support our effort to feed the hungry, the homeless, and families suffering from food insecurity while reducing food waste by clicking the DONATE button below.

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