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2025

Gratitude and Impact Report

Hope, honor, and dignity shared through food.

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Letter from the CEO and Founder

Elaine and I are filled with gratitude. Because of you — our volunteers, donors, partners, and supporters — food is shared with dignity six days a week across our communities.

Even amid economic strain and uncertainty for many families, you help us remain steady. You show up in parking lots, warehouses, and neighborhoods to ensure no one is unseen and no one goes hungry.

The need remains urgent and growing, but so does our hope. Together, we will continue transforming parking lots into places of hope, nourishment, stability, and care.

See you in the parking lot!

Chris & Elaine

Chris & Elaine Whitney



Chris and Elaine at our disaster relief in Johnson City, TN



Response to National Economic Crisis

The fourth quarter of 2025 brought two national crises, the abrupt defunding of SNAP benefits and the furloughing of federal employees. When federal SNAP benefits were abruptly defunded in November 2025, a nationwide emergency unfolded.

More than **690,000 Tennesseans (345,000 households)** and **376,000 families in Alabama** suddenly lost access to food assistance.

In response, **One Generation Away mobilized immediately**, expanding operations across Middle Tennessee and Northern Alabama. Leveraging **12 years of experience** and a **no questions- asked model**, the organization rapidly increased food distributions across both states.

Within weeks, One Generation Away provided **218,000** additional meals in Tennessee and **114,800** additional meals in Alabama.

The response required rapid expansion across every area of operation:

300% **increase** in volunteer shifts

67% **expansion** in Mobile Pantry capacity

2x **distribution** in pop-up food

316% **growth** in Doorstep Pantry home delivery

Additionally, through our Doorstep Pantry program, weekly food boxes were delivered directly to thousands across Williamson County, ensuring families had access to food during a time of sudden disruption.

OUR MISSION One Generation Away restores hope and dignity by removing food insecurity. Through bulk purchasing, food rescue, and community-driven distribution, we make sure families have steady access to nutritious food and a community that values them.

We stand out because we lead with dignity. No questions, no paperwork—just an open door.

Families are met with kindness, turning parking lots into places of hope and connection where everyone is seen and valued.

In **Huntsville**, where **6.7% of the workforce are federal employees**, disruptions to federal pay and SNAP benefits quickly impacted families across the community.

In response, **One Generation Away expanded volunteer operations, and delivered food to furloughed workers and SNAP recipients**.

Through rapid coordination, rescued and bulk-purchased food, and deep community partnerships, One Generation Away transformed parking lots into **places of hope**, ensuring families did not go hungry while critical systems failed.

SEE PRESS COVERAGE HERE

"When families are facing empty pantries because of SNAP disruptions or paycheck interruptions, we all have a responsibility to help."

— ***Chuck McDowell***, on he and his wife Jo Ellen's generous support of One Generation Away's emergency food response and matching challenge





YEAR-AT-A-GLANCE

8,916,667 meals given in 2025

8% higher than projected

How We Deliver Food in Our Communities

Mobile Pantry · Agency Partners

Doorstep Pantry · Disaster Relief





Rotary Ending Hunger

When disaster struck **East Tennessee**, the need did not fade after the headlines disappeared.

Through flooding and prolonged recovery, **One Generation Away committed to showing up month after month**, ensuring families had consistent access to food when stability was hardest to find.

This was made possible thanks to **Rotary district 6760.**

Together, this partnership is sustaining **two full years** (2025 & 2026) of monthly mobile food pantries, serving:

8,000+ families | 28,000 people



Thanks to your support, nearly **470,000 meals** were distributed in 2025 and continuing Rotary support helped deliver:

169,000 pounds of food | 135,000 meals across East TN



This partnership demonstrates what is possible when service organizations unite around a shared mission—transforming parking lots into lifelines and replacing uncertainty with nourishment.





A Network That Multiplies Impact

One Generation Away expands your impact through a trusted network of more than 300 partner agencies across Tennessee and beyond.

These nonprofits, churches, schools, and community organizations are deeply connected to the families they serve—including families, women shelters, seniors, veterans, and active-duty military households.

Through warehouse distributions, food rescue, and coordinated deliveries, partner agencies receive **high-quality food at no cost** and distribute it **directly to families with dignity and care**.

This collaborative model:

- reduces duplication
- strengthens local capacity
- moves food quickly into communities where it is needed most

By working through trusted relationships, food reaches people faster— and impact multiplies.

Our Amazing Volunteers

None of this work would be possible without our incredible volunteers.

From packing food and loading trucks to delivering groceries and standing in parking lots offering hope, volunteers are the heartbeat of One Generation Away. They show up early, stay late, and serve with compassion and dignity, turning ordinary moments into life-changing ones for families in need.

We are deeply grateful for every hour, every hand, and every heart.

If you are looking for a meaningful way to serve, we invite you to join us. Because when people come together to love their neighbors, hunger loses its grip.

PARTNERS IN THE PARKING LOT

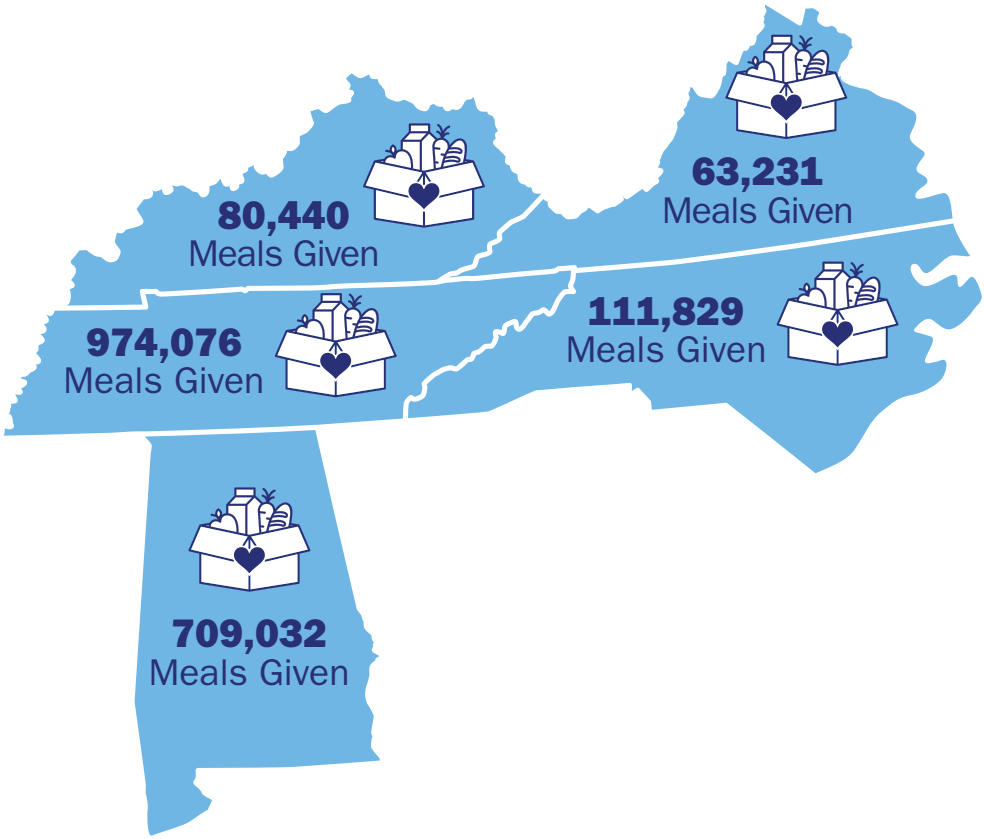
"One Gen Away is truly the hands and feet of the Lord. The work they are doing and the way they operate their distributions are with total care, dignity, and hope. Volunteering is both joyful and impactful!"

— ***Katie Kronk***, TN volunteer



VOLUNTEER WITH US!

Your 2025 Impact



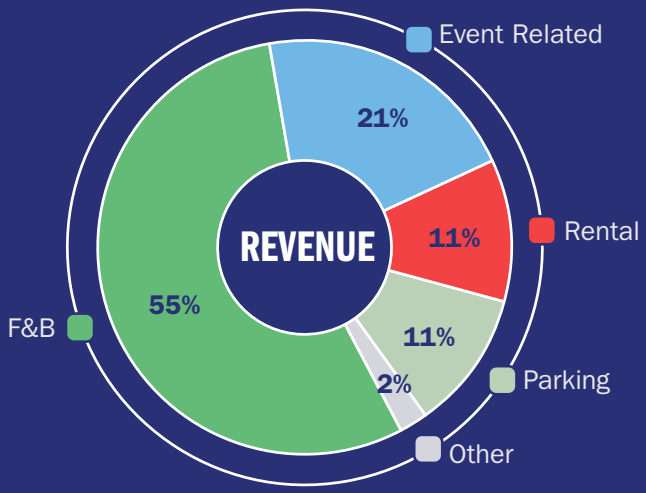
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Meals Given

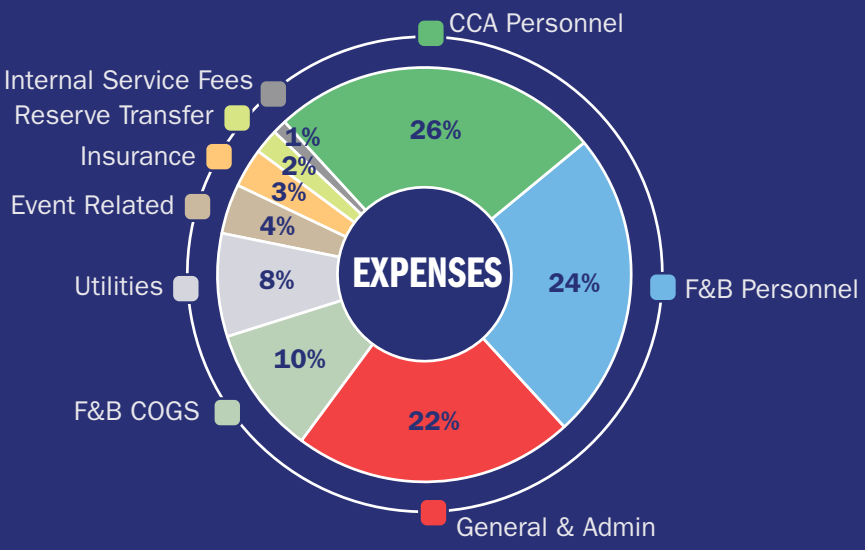
37,305
Volunteer Hours

300+
Agency Partners

1.24M
Volunteer Service Value

2025 Stewardship





96¢ of every donated dollar goes directly to program services



You are needed

As the need for food assistance continues to grow, One Generation Away is looking ahead with clarity, resolve, and hope. The future calls for more than short-term solutions—it calls for consistency, partnership, and readiness.

In the year ahead, we are focused on **expanding** reliable food access through our **Mobile Food Pantry** and **Doorstep Pantry** programs. Our goal is to ensure families can count on nourishment week after week, not just in moments of crisis.

Consistency brings stability, and stability restores dignity.

We are also committed to deepening community partnerships—with churches, nonprofits, civic organizations, and volunteers—because hunger is not solved alone. **When communities unite around a shared purpose, impact multiplies**.

Finally, we are strengthening our capacity to stay ready, not reactive. By investing in infrastructure, logistics, and planning, we are preparing to respond quickly and effectively when hardship strikes—before families are forced into desperation. The road ahead is challenging, but it is also filled with opportunity.

Together, we will continue showing up—feeding people, restoring dignity, and building a future where no one is left unseen or hungry.

No One Unseen
No One Hungry

THANK YOU for standing with One Generation Away.

Because of your generosity, compassion, and belief in dignity for all, families across our communities do not face hunger alone. You transform parking lots into places of hope, turn uncertainty into nourishment, and ensure neighbors are met with respect when they need it most.

As the need continues to grow, so does the opportunity to make a lasting difference.

We invite you to stay involved in the work ahead—by giving to support food access, sponsoring programs that bring stability to families, or volunteering alongside a community that shows up with open hands and open hearts.

Every act of involvement helps restore hope and strengthen the safety net for those facing hardship.

Together, we can continue meeting urgent needs while building a future where **NO ONE IS UNSEEN** and **NO ONE IS HUNGRY**.

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