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Andra Smith, Executive Director

# ANNUAL REPORT

**Mission and Vision:** Providing food and assistance to people and organizations so that no one goes hungry in our community.

# Hopeful

As we look back over the last year, I am proud of our accomplishments at the Sequim Food Bank. We began 2023 with a budget that was not balanced and unsure about food supplies from our emergency food partners. We had a lot of work to do. Throughout last year, our team worked diligently to procure food and strategically target new grants and private funding opportunities.

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*Hope is being able to see that there is light despite all of the darkness.”*

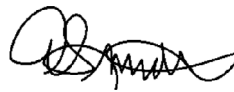
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When services demand increased, we found more food, increased our volunteers, installed safety measures for volunteers and visitors, and expanded our partner events. We exceeded expectations.

Because of this combined effort, we begin 2024 with multiyear food purchasing funding, a technology improvement grant, and funding to launch an pilot meal delivery program in February of this year.

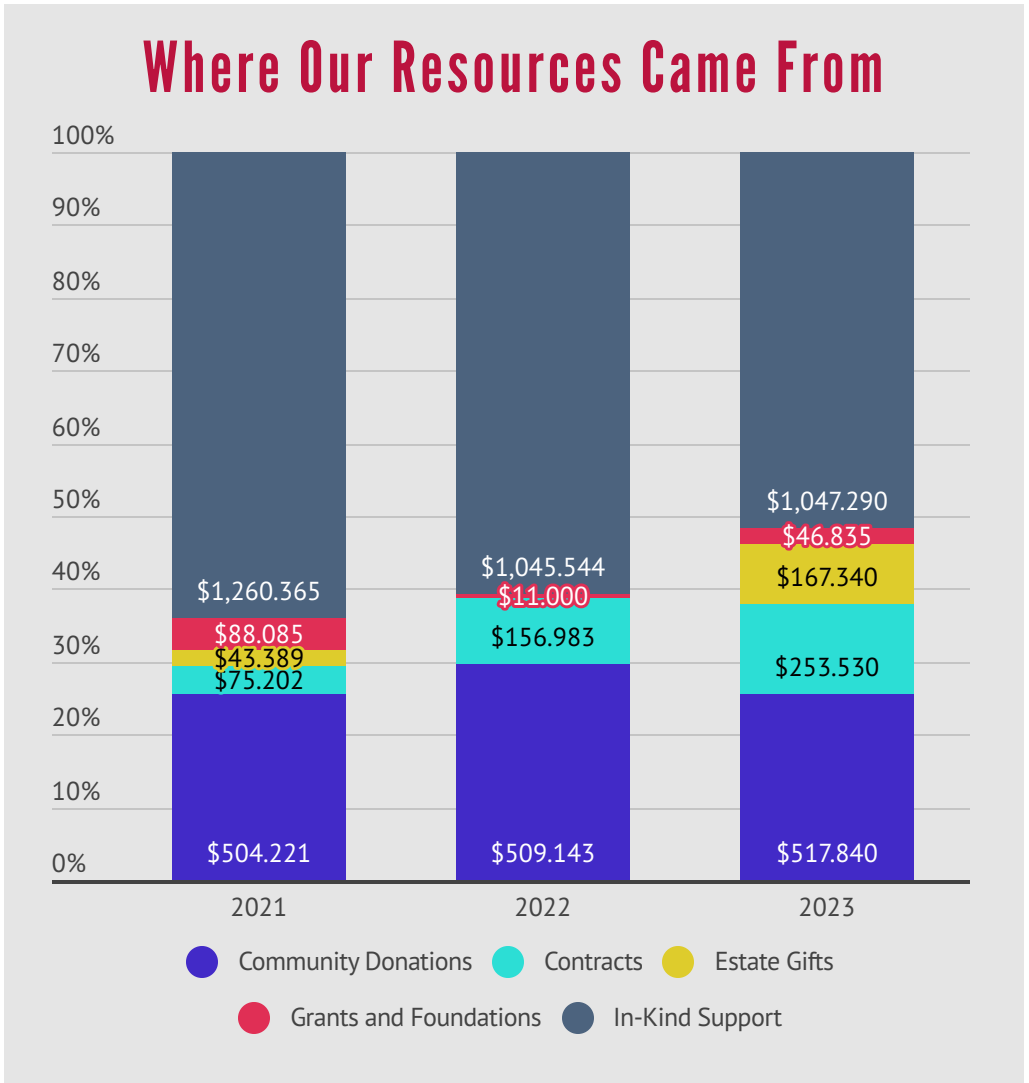
I am hopeful as we begin 2024. There is much we don't know. Food inventory from our emergency food partners are still unsure. Visitor need continues to increase. As we move through this year, we will experience successes and failure, excitement and sadness, and change. In spite of the unknowns, I continue to be hopeful – hopeful that with our team of volunteers, staff, and community support, we continue serving our community and meeting their needs.



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# Financials

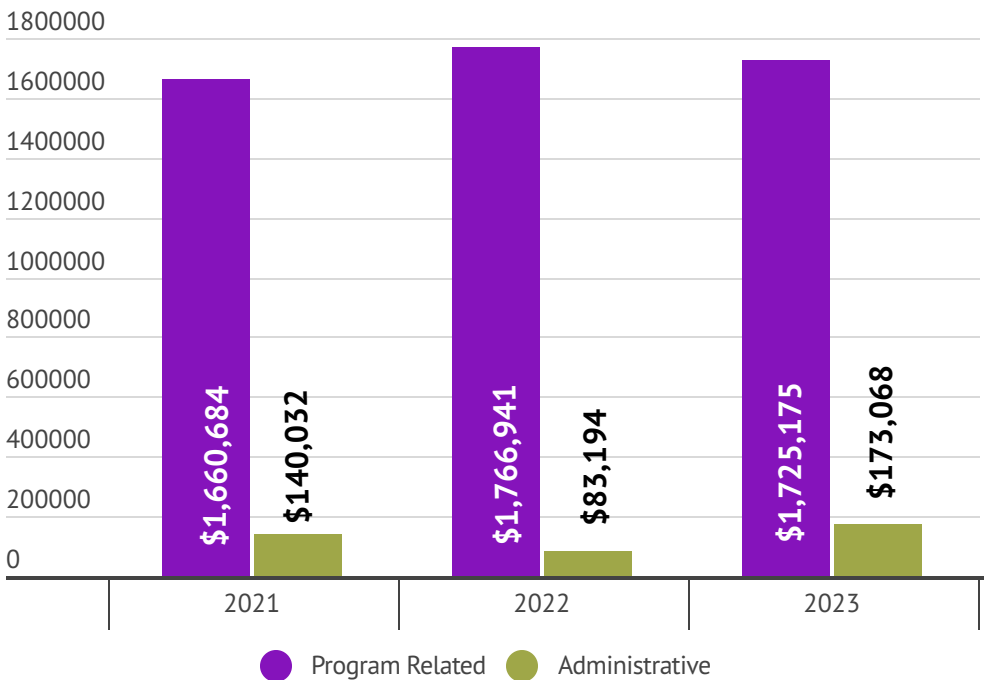


Historically, our community is our biggest supporter and 2023 was no different. Because of the efforts of our staff and strategic grant requests, our revenue is becoming more diversified; creating a more balanced revenue stream. In addition, we had three gifts from estates in 2023 totaling \$167,340.

# Financials

## How We Use Our Resources

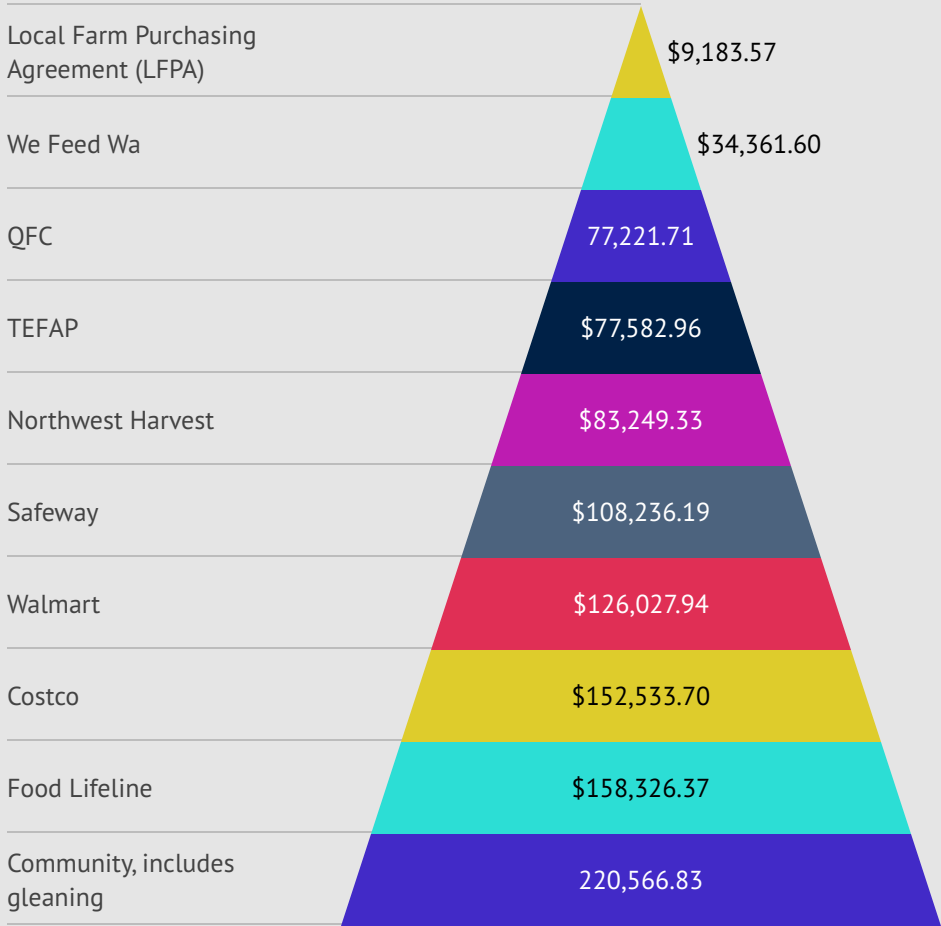
The Sequim Food Bank puts the needs of the community first and 2023 continued to reflect that priority, reflecting our vision that "No one goes hungry in our community." As the needs of our community continue to change, we efficiently use our resources to adapt our programs to best serve our community. In 2023, our program related expenses totaled \$1,725,714.60 (91% of our total expenses) and our administrative expenses totaled \$173,067.95 (9% of our total expenses).



*In 2023, 91% of expenses went directly to food bank operations.*

# Financials

## In-Kind Donations



Once again, our community continues to support our mission. and was our largest in-kind donor in 2023. Our grocery store partners continue to provide food and their inventory seemed to stabilize the second half of the year.



# Programs

## Weekly Food Distributions:

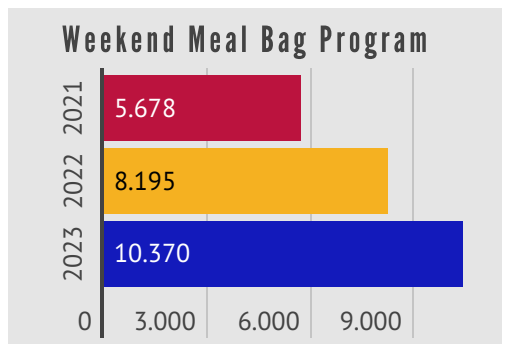
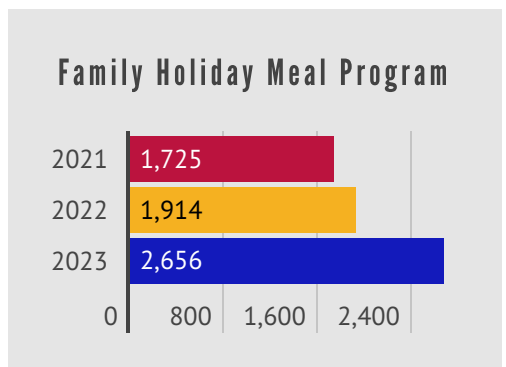
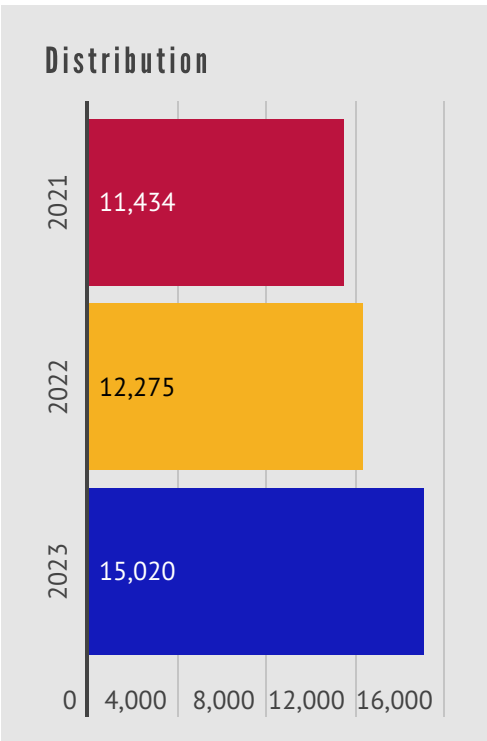
We had 3,451 unique households (9,614 unique individuals) make 15,020 visits in 2023. That is a 22% increase from 2022.

## Family Holiday Meal Programs:

We provided holiday meal bags to more families than ever before - 2,656 families between November and December. Over 100 volunteers took part at each distribution and went very smoothly, even with a small gift card hiccup. The FHMP increased 39%

## Weekend Meal Bag Program:

In 2023, there was a 27% increase in the demand for the Weekend Meal Bag programs which feeds Sequim's youth. A total of 10,370 meals were provided through this program and delivered through Sequim Schools, Head Start, and through weekly distributions.



# Partnerships and Other Programs



## COMMUNITY VACCINE CLINIC

FREE COVID & FLU VACCINES!  
FREE BLOOD SUGAR & BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS!

Friday, May 5, 2023

9 AM - 12 PM  
Sequim Food Bank  
144 W Alder St  
Sequim, WA 98382



- Walk-ins welcome!
- Pfizer and Moderna bivalent vaccines available for ages 6 months and older
- Flu shots available for ages 6 months and older (while supplies last)
- Blood pressure and blood sugar screenings for those age 18+
- No ID or insurance required, all services are free (Please bring vaccine card or record, or visit WAverify.doh.wa.gov to get a copy sent to your phone)
- \$50 gift cards for those getting their 1st or 2nd dose of the COVID vaccine

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- Pfizer y Moderna vacuna bivalente disponible para aquellos de 6 meses de edad y mayor
- Vacuna contra la gripe disponible para aquellos de 6 meses de edad y mayor (mientras duren las reservas)
- Exámenes de presión arterial y azúcar en la sangre para aquellos de 18 años y mayor
- No se requiere identificación ni prueba de seguro médico.
- Venga con su tarjeta o récord de vacuna si es posible o visite WAverify.doh.wa.gov para obtener una copia de su récord.
- Tarjeta de regalo de \$50 para los que recién su primera o segunda dosis de la vacuna de COVID



## Welcome NOHN to Diaper Day!



### DIAPER DAY!



North Olympic Healthcare Network will be at the Sequim Food Bank for Diaper Day on Monday, August 28th from 1-4pm

Parents and Parents-to-Be will have the chance to find out about The SUPPORT Clinic for prenatal and postpartum care. For more info, (360) 452-7891 x 2854



## DSHS Mobile Office Oficina Móvil is Coming!

Sequim Food Bank  
144 W Alder St, Sequim WA

February 12, 2024 12:30 P.M. to 3:30 P.M.

- Apply inside • Solicitar adentro
- Food • Cash • Medical
- Comida • Efectivo • Médico



You can also drop off paperwork, complete a review, make changes to an existing case or request an EBT card.



## Get Ready for Winter

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10  
9am - 12pm  
SEQUIM FOOD BANK  
144 W. Alder St. Sequim

We will have a limited selection of free warm clothes, gloves, blankets, hats and other winter items available.

Representatives from partner organizations will be here:

- North Olympic Health Care
- Molina Health Care
- Peninsula Behavioral Health
- Olympic Personal Growth
- Standup Wireless (with free phones to those who qualify)
- And More!



Last year we hosted over 30 partner events at the Sequim Food Bank. As we move into the new year, we will continue to expand our partner presence and providing our visitors access to additional support services. This collaborative effort and regular partner presence and through our work within the Sequim Health and Housing Collaborative is establishing the Sequim Food Bank as a services and support 'hub' for Sequim and Eastern Clallam County.



SEQUIM HEALTH & HOUSING COLLABORATIVE

In addition, we support other organizations in the community by providing food and supplies totaling over 6,500 pounds! Some of the organizations we helped were: Little Free Pantries, Sequim Free Clinic, Boys & Girls Club, Serenity House, Peninsula College, Sequim School District, partner food banks and more

# Food Waste and Redistribution

Last year, 62,711 pounds of food were donated to local Sequim farmers through our Livestock Food Recovery Program.

Sustainability is one of our core values and through the dedication of staff, food scraps were diverted from the landfill and offered to local farmers. Because of this program several of the farms have increased their herds and better support their families.



Last year, 8,442 pounds of expired food was disposed of due to being past its human consumption period.

## Volunteers

Volunteers are the backbone of our success. We are able to provide the level of service to our community because of our volunteers. Last year, when our distribution numbers kept increasing, it became necessary to add additional volunteers during distributions. Our community was ready to serve! Last year, our volunteers logged **17,838** hours of volunteer time in helping fight hunger. That's the equivalent of nearly **9 full time employees!** The dedication and support of our volunteers allow us to continue working toward our vision that "No one goes hungry in our community!"







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