



WHAT WE DO, HOW WE OPERATE, AND WHO WE SERVE

Blessings of Hope is a food bank to food banks, or a 'Wholesale Food Bank'. We have a staff of approximately 20 people and thousands of volunteers each and every month. We serve other nonprofit organizations with food.

Church food pantries
 Halfway Houses
 Boys/girls Camps
 Outreaches



From January to April 2020 we have distributed over **8 million lbs.** (equivalent to 200 semi truckloads) of food that would have otherwise been wasted.



WHERE/WHY DO WE GET THE FOOD?

- Product from distribution centers that is too close to the expiration date to send to retail stores.
- Product from manufacturers that may have been overproduced or mislabeled.
- Over shipped items
- New product with damaged packaging.



In the first 3 weeks of April 2020, we packed 55,000 family boxes (approximately 40 lbs. of food in a box) with food, serving 250 plus organizations! Presently, we are turning over our warehouse inventory about every 5 days. That means if we don't get any food in, in 5 days or less, our warehouse is empty!

Currently, we are shipping out an average of around 3 semi truckloads of food per day!

Due to the extreme demand for our services during the COVID-19 relief efforts, we are looking to do Phase #3 renovations in the spring of 2020 instead of the fall of 2020.

This puts an urgency on raising funds and getting construction started immediately!

In early April 2020 we were offered 13 semi truckloads of fresh produce that still had a week date on it. Because we did not have the capacity to take it immediately, within a few hours 8 loads were already in the landfill. We are saying "300,000 lbs. of fresh fruits and vegetables that could have been utilized to feed hungry people in the inner cities that instead is rotting away in a landfill somewhere".

WHY THE URGENCY?

With record-high unemployment from something that was really no one's fault, and no hope or relief in sight for millions of people, there is an extreme demand on food banks to help with hunger-relief caused by the crisis of COVID-19

WE HEAR TESTIMONIALS ON A REGULAR BASIS

Thank you for helping us all who are in need of food at this time. May God continue to Bless You.

We are so grateful for this food box, we were down to eating sugar cubes.

All I have food-wise is 3 oranges in my house, your box of food was a tremendous blessing.

A widow from our church was a recipient of one of your boxes of food and she was very appreciative. Thanks for your generosity!



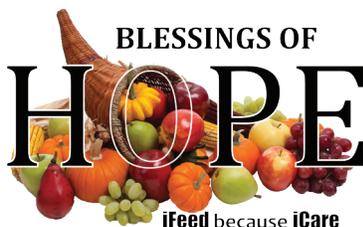
GET INVOLVED AND DONATE IN ONE OF THE WAYS LISTED BELOW.

- 1 Mail a check payable to: **Blessings of Hope 500 Becker Rd., Leola, PA 17540** with a memo **growing2FEED**.
- 2 Donate online at: www.blessingsofhope.com/growing2feed-our-capital-campaign.
- 3 Donate anonymously at any Univest Bank & Trust Co. branch. Ask to make a donation to **Blessings of Hope** account number **5402001290**, anonymous donations payable to Blessings of Hope can also be mailed to: **"Univest Bank & Trust Co. PO Box 746, Brownstown, PA 17508"**.
- 4 Pledge a donation by filling out the **'Pledge Form'** on our website or call **717-824-1227 ext.101**.
- 5 Donate through your Donor Advised Fund - Call **717-824-1227 - Ext. 101** with any questions.



OUR GOALS

To have **Phase #3 construction finalized and paid for by July 1, 2020**. This is a complete renovation of the existing old dock space, adding offices for our warehouse and dispatch teams, 20,000 sq. ft. of cooler and freezer space which will allow us to store and utilize 1,000+ additional skids of product at a time as it becomes available.



Thank you from all the people that Blessings of Hope has helped and will help because of your generosity. We also thank you on behalf of the people who are not here to say thank you!