UNITED WAY
King County

SUPPORTING FOOD SECURITY

United is the Way™ everyone has enough to eat.



Why Partner?

Everyone deserves access to the food they need to thrive. Yet rising costs, cuts to federal nutrition programs like Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), and barriers to food assistance are making it harder for families across King County to get the food they need.

United Way of King County works with community partners to connect people with food, make food assistance easier to access, and advance lasting solutions to hunger. Together, we're working toward a future where everyone has enough to eat. We do this in three ways:



Expanding Food Access

We connect people with food through home grocery delivery, curbside pickup, and online ordering at local food banks and pantries. Through our Food System Stability Fund, we also provide flexible funding so food banks can respond to urgent needs.

1 million
home grocery deliveries since 2020

5,500+
households across King County receive groceries every week

$706,000
provided to food organizations responding to rising demand



Connecting People to Food Assistance

We make it easier for people to access food assistance programs like Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), SUN Bucks (Summer EBT), Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) and school and summer meals.

1.2 million
free summer meals served at 717 sites

750,000
students have access to two free school meals every day

20,000+
students in Federal Way Public Schools now receive free breakfast

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Advocacy in Action:

Through the Food Justice Collaborative and Hunger Free Washington, we bring people and organizations together to advocate for policies that address the root causes of hunger and build a food system that works for everyone.

Our advocacy can create lasting change. Thanks in part to years of advocacy from United Way of King County and its partners, Seattle Public Schools now offers free breakfast and lunch to every student. The change reaches more than 50,000 students and is expected to save families an average of $120 per month per child in food costs.

> These days it's hard to afford food. I appreciate you guys sending me the [grocery] boxes. It helps me take care of my kids, my dad, and myself–especially with [me] being pregnant now."
>
> **–Home Grocery Delivery Participant**

Opportunity

Hunger is a concern across our region, including the neighborhoods where your employees live, work, and raise their families. By partnering with United Way, your company can connect more people with food today while investing in lasting solutions that strengthen our food system.

Invest in food security and help build a community where everyone has enough to eat.

Want to Learn More?

Do you have space, supplies, or resources to share? We'd love to explore how your company can be part of the solution. For more information about this program and its impact, please contact **Carrie Bates at cbates@uwkc.org.**