

Year in Review
Fiscal Year 2017-2018



Dear friends,

Thank you for your generous support of Dare to Care this year. Because of you, we provided grocery items to thousands of our neighbors facing food insecurity – enough for 19 million meals! We provided this food through pantries, kitchens, and shelters that rely on dedicated volunteers to take food the last mile and into the hands of those who need it. We tested new ways of delivering food – through school pantries and a school bus delivery model – and planned for continued evolution of the food bank through new programs and partnerships that we'll share in the coming months.

We began almost fifty years ago because our community committed that what happened to Bobby Ellis, a 9 year-old boy who died of malnutrition in his Louisville home, could not and would not happen again. From the thousands of caring citizens who began Dare to Care then to the thousands of committed volunteers and donors who ensure our work continues today, thank you again for your renewed commitment to ending hunger in Kentuckiana.

With gratitude,

Brian Riendeau
Executive Director

Mission: To lead our community to feed the hungry and conquer the cycle of need



Dare to Care
Food Bank

5803 Fern Valley Road
Louisville, KY 40228

Your support made it possible.

2017-2018 Program Highlights



19 million
meals distributed
throughout Kentuckiana



134,000
children, adults, and
seniors served



7.6 million
pounds of fresh produce
provided to local families

Feeding families

- Distributed food to families through 271 partner food pantries, shelters, and kitchens.
- Operated more than 50 mobile pantries each month to reach families living in isolated pockets of need.

Serving children

- Prepared 275,203 hot, nutritious meals at our Community Kitchen and delivered them to 38 Kids Cafe sites.
- Conducted the Backpack Buddy program at 48 schools, providing weekend nutrition to 2,555 children from low-income families.
- Piloted a school pantry program at four schools to reach students and families in a school setting.

Solving senior hunger

- Provided nutritionally-balanced food boxes through senior initiatives including a unique partnership with the Louisville Metro Police Department and mobile pantries for seniors.

Improving health

- Partnered with eight health clinics to offer on-site, prescriptive pantries for food-insecure patients.
- Taught nutrition education and culinary skills to children, adults, and seniors through 33 Cooking Matters classes.

Looking ahead

- Conducted research through conversations with our clients, partners, and other hunger-fighting organizations to more deeply understand the challenges our community members face.
- Identified programming solutions, collaboration opportunities, and operational efficiencies that will help us serve our community in new, innovative ways.

Financial Summary

July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018

Revenues, gains (losses), and other support

Contributions and grants	6,720,929
Donations of food and commodities	31,265,544
In-kind donations for fundraising	102,100
Special events	306,058
Other revenues	132,006
Investments	393,850
Total	\$ 38,920,487

Revenue, gains (losses), and other support

Donations of food and commodities	Contributions and grants	All other support
80%	17%	3%

Expenses

Program services	37,531,988
Administration	754,926
Fundraising	1,563,020
Total	\$ 39,849,934

Expenses

Program services	Fundraising	Administration
94%	4%	2%

Change in net assets	\$ (929,447)
Net assets, beginning of year	\$ 15,492,703
Net assets, end of year	\$ 14,563,256

**The financial summary includes a combination of funds and the value of food distributed.*



Did you know?

Dare to Care is a 4-star charity! For the sixth year in a row, Dare to Care received the highest, 4-star rating from Charity Navigator for demonstrating strong financial health and commitment to accountability and transparency.

Thank you for trusting us with your generous donations of funds, food, and time.

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Your support helps people like Andrew.

Andrew (pictured on cover) turned to a Dare to Care partner after he had a heart attack and then lost his job. Since then, his health has improved and he has found work, but sometimes he still struggles to provide food for his family. Andrew is grateful for the food they receive and the donors who make it possible. "Thank you," he shared. "Without this food pantry, I don't know where I'd be. It has been a big time blessing for me."

