

EDMONTON'S FOOD BANK UPDATE

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LOCAL GIVING. LOCAL IMPACT.

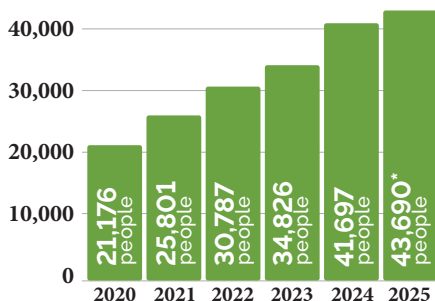
When you donate locally, you can see your impact. Your generosity has the greatest impact when it goes directly to the people around you because every donation to Edmonton's Food Bank stays here in Edmonton.

Increasingly, there are organizations, including national groups, running significant campaigns through commercials and social media posts that sound like they are helping a local organization like Edmonton's Food Bank. *To be frank, very little, if any of your donation will be shared in Edmonton.* Your local charities and non-profits often have lower overhead costs meaning that more of your donation will go to its intended cause. By donating locally, you can see the direct impact first-hand.

If you would like more information on this topic, our monthly donation program options, or our local work, please contact us at 780.425.2133 or info@edmontonsfoodbank.com.

Thank you!

AVERAGE MONTHLY CLIENT HAMPER RECIPIENTS



*2025: 43,690 (Jan to Sept. 2025)

EDMONTON'S FOOD BANK 2025 CLIENT SURVEY

In the decade since our first client survey, Edmonton has seen population growth, rising living costs, major shifts in the labour market, and increasing pressure on housing affordability. Through it all, the surveys have provided a direct line to the experiences and voices of the people we serve.

The 2025 Client Survey was designed to:

- Document who is using the Food Bank and why.
- Understand the economic, housing, health, and social conditions of clients.
- Identify trends over time, comparing 2025 results to those from 2023 and 2015.
- Highlight areas where service delivery, advocacy, and partnerships could have the greatest impact.

The value of this survey lies in its first-hand insight. While statistical indicators can show rising rents or stagnant wages, they cannot capture what it feels like to skip dinner so your children can eat, or to hold down two jobs and still face eviction. For many, the Food Bank is not a temporary solution, but a long-term necessity. Edmonton's food security crisis is neither isolated nor short-lived.

Recommendations will be included with the final report and we will share more when we release our 2025 Client Survey in November. Our website is an excellent source to find out more about our work.



A FINAL WORD...

Edmonton's Food Bank is committed to meeting immediate needs of the people we are serving in our community; however, as a charity, we will never end food insecurity alone. Systemic, policy-driven change that is grounded in the real experiences of clients is the only path forward. The findings of this survey are a roadmap: now is the time to act.

For a copy of our surveys, please visit edmontonsfoodbank.com/about/publications/

RECENT EVENT TOTALS

Our recent food and fundraisers are big and their success comes from many people donating what they can: can-by-can and dollar-by-dollar. **Thank you, Edmonton!**



EDMONTON HERITAGE FESTIVAL FOOD & FUNDRAISER

\$60,949 & 27,855 kilograms of food

**Join us for Heritage Fest 2026
August 1, 2, & 3 in Hawrelak Park!**



EDMONTON FOOD DRIVE

134,174 kilograms of food!

- 9 semi-trailers
- 4 x 5-ton trucks
- 3 x 3-ton trucks
- 5,000 volunteers
- 5 fire stations & staff



Because of you, we are able to continue to do what we do best - serving those in need, since 1981. If you have any questions please contact us: info@edmontonsfoodbank.com or at 780.425.2133.