How to get involved

It’s going to take all of us to end hunger! We rely on our community and people like you to support our efforts in connecting nutritious food with more than half a million hungry neighbors in central and eastern Ohio. There are so many ways we can work together!

**Employee Engagement***

**Operation Feed:** Operation Feed engages the community to raise resources for fresh, healthy food to feed hungry families. This annual campaign provides tremendous team building opportunities for your organization.

**Holiday Meals:** The Holiday Meals campaign engages your workplace to raise critically-needed funds to help Mid-Ohio Food Collective offset the cost of acquiring and distributing foods typically eaten during the holiday season.

**Sponsorship Opportunities***

**Mid-Ohio Foodbank:** The foodbank continues to be the core of our work towards ending hunger by acquiring and distributing millions of pounds of food to partner agencies throughout our 20 county service territory.

**Mid-Ohio Farm:**
Mid-Ohio Farm serves as an innovative and agricultural “EduFarm” of the future featuring state-of-the-art technology, education training, models for growing and distributing fresh produce, and services enhancing community engagement.

**Mid-Ohio Kitchen:**
Healthy food is more than great ingredients. Our production kitchen provides fresh, healthy food for kids, schools, seniors, and other community members, helping customers learn how to shop and cook for long-term health.

**Mid-Ohio Market & Fresh Food Distribution:** Over 60% of food distributed by Mid-Ohio Food Collective is fresh! Through Mid-Ohio Markets and Produce Markets, we offer an array of fresh food from produce, meat, dairy, bread and eggs. These are free community events sponsored by Mid-Ohio Food Collective and facilitated by local partnering agencies. At these events, a Foodbank truck delivers 5,000–10,000 pounds of fresh produce and bakery items to a community location.

**Double Your Donation Day:** Mid-Ohio Food Collective partners with NBC4 to host a one-day media sponsored event, where every dollar donated doesn’t just provide $9.50 in groceries, it provides up to $19!

**Spring Campaign:** This campaign, in partnership with the Columbus Dispatch and 10TV, runs several months. The goal is to increase access to nutrient-dense, fresh foods for low-income, individuals and families. Corporate sponsors help raise awareness of our fresh initiatives as well as underwrite produce distribution efforts across the Foodbank’s 20-country footprint.

**Fuel our Fleet:** Transportation is one of the most significant costs to the Mid-Ohio Foodbank, at an estimated $1.2 million a year. Last year, the Foodbank distributed 75 million pounds of groceries in 20 counties.

**Hunger Action Month:** Hunger Action Month is held each year in September in partnership with Feeding America, the nation’s largest hunger relief agency. The goal is to raise awareness and advocate for hunger relief. The Mid-Ohio Food Collective, community sponsors, and media partners ABC 6, FOX 28 and the CW Columbus, are working together to create an integrated campaign toward building hunger-free and healthier communities.

**Community Meals:** Mid-Ohio Kitchen opens its doors weekly at South Side Roots Café for a weekly Community Meal, where hundreds of neighbors receive a made-from-scratch, healthy meal. *Currently meals are made to-go during COVID.

* Event-specific benefits available. Corporate benefits do not apply.