

# THE SOUTH FORT MYERS FOOD PANTRY COALITION, INC.

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## Newsletter

### 1st Quarter 2025

**We served 4,179 households**

**Totaling 13,005 family members**

**We distributed approximately 158,251 pounds of food**

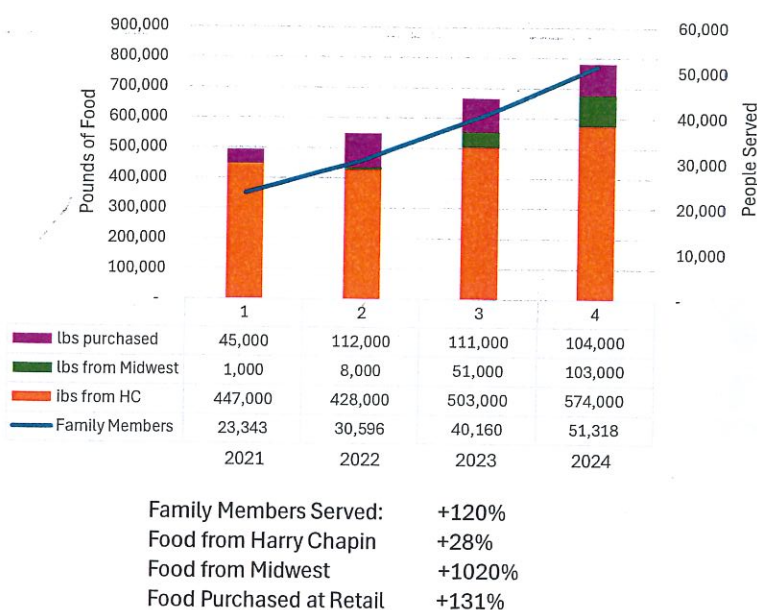
**Year-To-Date: 158,251 pounds of food**

*(This represents the food received from Harry Chapin Food Bank and MidWest Food Bank as well as any food that we purchase from local retailers.)*

*We are pleased to welcome two new board members: Ed Desmond & Mark Scott.*

We are grateful for the recent food drive held by The Village Church and Shell Point Retirement Community – we were able to stock up on much-needed cereal and cereal bars!!

Food Sources and People Served



(Note: The above totals do not include products from food drives or weekly donations from Publix at Gladiolus Gateway, Winn Dixie at Cypress Trace, Dollar General or The Bagel Factory. These sources add an estimated 30,000 to 40,000 pounds of food each year.)

In just three short years, the number of neighbors we serve has more than doubled, but the food we can obtain from Harry Chapin Food Bank has increased only 28%. Midwest Food Bank has become an important partner, and food drives and our local retail partners are important sources of food as well. Still, we have had to increase our purchases by 133%, from \$88,500 in 2021 to \$206,200 in 2024.

Thus, our need for funding is greater than ever.

*In accordance with federal law and US Department of Agriculture policy, the South Fort Myers Food Pantry Coalition is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, sex, age, color, national origin, disability, religion or sexual orientation when recruiting volunteers or distributing food. We are an equal opportunity provider.*

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