



Publix reaches milestone, donating 100 million pounds of produce to help feed neighbors in need

More than 6 million pounds of produce donated to Tennessee food banks

LAKELAND, Fla., May 14, 2024 — Publix has donated 100 million pounds of produce to Feeding America partner food banks, marking a significant milestone in the company’s ongoing commitment to help feed neighbors facing food insecurity. The company began purchasing produce in 2020 at the height of the pandemic to help struggling farmers and provide additional fresh fruits and vegetables to its food bank partners.

“As a grocery retailer, we can make our largest impact by helping feed our neighbors in need. Donating 100 million pounds of produce is an example of the difference Publix associates make year-round,” said Publix CEO Kevin Murphy. “I am proud of this innovative program and how we continue to find new ways to support the communities we serve, but our work is not done. We look forward to continuing to provide our food bank partners with produce throughout the year.”

“Feeding America is deeply grateful for our partnership with Publix and for the generosity they continue to demonstrate,” said Feeding America CEO Claire Babineaux-Fontenot. “Their contribution of 100 million pounds of fresh produce makes a meaningful difference to people facing food insecurity. We look forward to continuing to work together in the movement to end hunger.”

Donations in Tennessee

Since 2020, Publix has donated 6,034,035 pounds of produce to four food banks in Tennessee:

Food Bank Name	Food Bank City	Receiving Produce Since	Pounds Donated
Chattanooga Area Food Bank	Chattanooga	2020	643,826
Second Harvest Food Bank of East Tennessee	Maryville	2020	1,878,068
Second Harvest Food Bank of Middle Tennessee	Nashville	2020	3,153,411
Second Harvest Food Bank of Northeast Tennessee	Blountville	2023	358,730

Other ways Publix feeds its neighbors facing hunger

This milestone is only part of the company's commitment to making a difference across its operating area. In 2021, Publix launched its Good Together hunger alleviation campaign (formerly known as Feeding More Together), uniting customers and associates twice a year to provide food for people facing food insecurity. Through its Good Together food donation program, Publix also donates food from its stores that is no longer salable but still safe for consumption. During its fall Publix Serves Week, thousands of company associates volunteer with organizations that assist community members facing hunger. Feeding America recognizes Publix as a Feeding America Visionary Partner for its contributions to partner food banks.

Publix, the largest employee-owned company in the U.S. with more than 255,000 associates, currently operates 1,376 stores in Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia and Kentucky. For 27 consecutive years, the company has been recognized by *Fortune* as a great place to work. In addition, Publix's dedication to superior quality and customer service is recognized among the top in the grocery business. For more information, visit the company's newsroom at corporate.publix.com/newsroom. ###