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NOVEMBER 1, 1994
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SOS (4)

Mrs. Geneva
Williams/

Tired or sluggish if there hungry

~~Benign tigers~~

Benign tigers - blue/gold

Brand new playground equipment

Boys - football

Once day - recess 30 min. / lunch 30 min

Phys Ed teacher

Mr. Fletcher / once a week
health + phys. ed.

exercises / runs / games

Just sponsored

a Run For The Arts - fundraiser

for young Audiences

stud. get pledges - complimentary assembly

- one stud - as many laps as possible

① Pre K - 3

Ilan [Eylan] Najee
1st grader

No-gee

② Inter

grade 4-6

(62) Keisha [kee-sha] Barnes

3 questions

what is a nut. bfast ?

what is gd nutrition ?

how do you feel after a nutritious bfast ?

505 HUNGER (3)

Benny Elean / Mrs. Williams

[330] - Pre-K → 6th grade

↳ 322

Benny Area - named after Wm. E. Benny b. 1771

Amelia Co., Va - a farmer, businessman

who lived on E. side of James River

- extensive land holdings incl bridge across James River

open > 1976 (before on Mon. Ave NE)

- To enhance - applied for \$12,000 /
First year - Chase against hunger

151

free and reduced price meals

the child who receives free → bf. + lunch.

- encourage more kids to eat → \$8

Equipment

Nutrition kids

videos,

parents, students, coming → workshops

tray for coming →

students 8:15 / 8:45

we're hoping that awareness will get all eligible

212 receive free meals

29 reduced price meals

130 = bf + lunch

Good nutrition is part of our health + phys ed

YAC club - Youth Advisory Council -

breakfast - cereal, eggs, grits, fruit juices, milk,

pancakes on asphalt

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FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
REMARKS FOR THE CHARGE AGAINST HUNGER
WASHINGTON, DC
NOVEMBER 1, 1994

Hi kids. Thanks for inviting me into all of your schools today so that we can talk about something very, very important: Making sure we all get enough to eat -- and making sure that what we eat is healthy and nutritious.

You know, my husband is President Clinton, the President of the United States, and he cares about every person in our country. But he cares most of all about children because he believes that every child in America -- including every single one of you -- is a very important, special person. He wants every one of you to grow up to be healthy and strong. He wants every one of you to do well in school. And he wants every one of you to have enough energy to do fun things too, like playing your favorite games, singing songs, doing arts and crafts, or reading a book or story.

The President knows it's hard to pay attention in school when your stomach is empty and making a lot of loud growling sounds. He knows it's hard to do fun things when you haven't had enough to eat. And he knows it's hard to grow up to be healthy and strong if you aren't eating proper meals at breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

That's why the President is working very hard to make sure that all children start off the day with a good, healthy breakfast. He has brought so he makes you eat at school to make sure they are healthy & good.

Today, we're very lucky that one of the best companies in America, called the American Express Company, along with a very important organization called Share Our Strength, is helping raise money so that kids all over our country can eat a healthy breakfast at school every morning.

They're helping because they know it's very important for our country to have healthy children. It's important because every one of you is going to grow up into an adult, and we want all of you to be happy and healthy now, and also when you're bigger.

But remember, kids: It's not just important to eat enough at meal time, it's also important to eat healthy and nutritious food whenever we can. Sometimes that means eating a piece of fruit or a vegetable instead of french fries or potato chips. Sometimes it means having an apple or an orange for dessert, instead of a piece of candy or cake.

I'm sure you're thinking, is it ever okay to eat sweets and

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treats? Of course it is. Even the President eats sweets and treats sometimes. So do I. And so should kids. It's just that we should save those treats for special times, and make sure that our regular meals are filled with healthy, nutritious foods so that we all stay as healthy as we can.

Starting today, let's all try to do our best to start our day with a healthy breakfast. And let's thank all the people at American Express and Share Our Strength who are working so hard to make sure that kids all over our country have enough to eat.

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SOS/HUNGER PROJECT

Charge Against Hunger

Ellen
Hess

720 7711

690-3100
fax

The Adm. response to hunger - very aggressive from
start

Michelle Ireland Hy. Pres. Feb - part of budget

WIC full funding - pres. committed

gone v. far in these 2 yrs

1 m. adal. recip. on WIC

Just pass Child Nutrit Reauth. bill
School bfast + summer

① Access to food

② Access to health -
healthy diet

As has proposed whole healthy diet
1st time since Truman that nutritional
stds updated

Not only access to food but to a healthy diet

One component of SOS = nutrition-educ-

They see that linkage

Not just food, but food that promotes health

Recognizing Adm as a leader in both of these

expanding access to millions of ppl

ensure that what we are giving them access to

that will be a source of good health

today + in care of kids -> tomorrow

Big study at Lupton -

relationship b/w food (bfast) + cognitive
devel

Reduce obesity + cardiovascular

HUNGER NOTES (2)

You can't have a healthy diet

Having enough calories but also making sure we know where those calories are coming from —

Nat'l Hunger Forum at DC & Near regional forums —

One example —

- School lunch 99% of schools
breakfast 20%
- No law requires lunch or breakfast must be served
Breakfast now in freedom. low income
Must be served earlier / requires labor etc.
- SOS et al. trying to get local mandates or get schools to serve them

We serve 25m. children in 92,000 schools

State must decide to make it available — Most states have laws requiring

Participation varies tremendously

Am Ex — public private partnerships

- Am Ex as business
- Share Out Strategy — no IT
- sketch \$ for govt. programs.

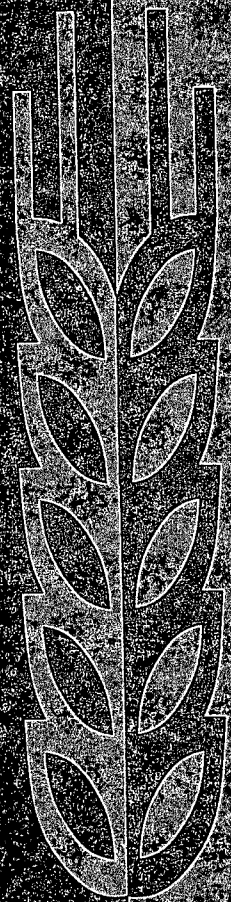
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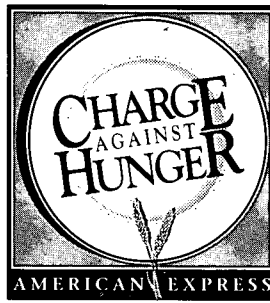
"SOS Share Our Strength Leading the Fight Against Hunger," 2 pgs.



SHARE OUR STRENGTH

*Leading
the
Fight
Against
Hunger*





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CHARGE AGAINST HUNGER WASHINGTON, D.C. BREAKFAST

Place: Benning Elementary School
Location: 41st Street and East Capitol, NE Washington, D.C.
Date: November 1, 1994

TENTATIVE AGENDA

- * **8:15 AM** Students begin to arrive at school.
Mrs. Clinton arrives at school and proceeds to VIP meeting area.
- * **8:30 AM** Students move to cafeteria.
- * **8:45 AM** Video and Audio satellite program begins.
- * **8:45 AM** Principal introduces both Bill Shore, Share Our Strength (SOS) and Senior American Express representative.
- * **8:50 AM** Mrs. Clinton is introduced and speaks for 5 to 10 minutes on the problem of hunger in America, the importance of proper nutrition and eating a healthy breakfast, and how public and private partnerships help fight hunger in the United States. Thanks SOS and American Express.
- * **8:55 AM** Mrs. Clinton, Bill Shore and American Express representative answer questions from students around the country.
- * **9:00 AM** Mrs. Clinton signals the volunteers to start serving breakfast.
- * **9:05 AM** Mrs. Clinton has the option to leave; meet and eat with the students; or serve a few meals.

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SHARE OUR STRENGTH

Malnutrition & Hunger in the U.S.

Food Stamp Program

The Food Stamp Program is the only entitlement food program in the U.S. available to all who meet eligibility standards regardless of age or family composition. Food stamp recipients receive monthly coupons to supplement their food purchasing power.

- One in 10 Americans now receives food stamps.
- More than 82% of all food stamp benefits are issued to houses with children and one half of all food stamp recipients are children.
- Almost 60% of all food stamp recipients are children or elderly.
- Over 18% of all food stamp recipients have no net income.
- Food stamps provide approximately 80 cents per meal, per person.

—Food Research and Action Center

- Six million people with low-income get no food stamps.
- Ten million people with low-income who get food stamps suffer from hunger because the program doesn't meet dietary needs of program recipients.

—Center on Hunger, Poverty, and Nutrition Policy, Tufts University School of Nutrition

- In 1992, the number of food stamp applicants increased by over 200,000 each month.

—Former Select Committee on Hunger, U.S. House of Representatives

Women, Children, & the WIC Program

Established as a national program in 1975, the Special Supplemental Feeding Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) is a cost-effective nutrition program which provides a monthly package of supplemental nutritious foods, offers nutrition education and access to health care to low-income pregnant, postpartum or breast-feeding women, and infants and children at nutritional risk.

—Food Research and Action Center

- During fiscal year 1993, WIC will serve approximately 5.8 million participants per month.
- Female headed households accounted for 53.1% of all poor families in 1990; 33.4% of female headed households are poor.
- Children, who currently account for 15% of all homeless persons, are the fastest growing segment of the homeless population.

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Childhood Hunger and School Breakfast

The School Breakfast Program provides federal funds to all schools and residential child care institutions that apply for and meet the program's eligibility criteria. A recent study of the School Breakfast Program showed that low-income children who participated in the program performed better on standardized tests, and were late and absent to school less than children who did not participate in the program. The Summer Food Service Program for Children and the National School Lunch Program are other existing programs shown to be effective.

- One in every eight American children under age 12 suffers from hunger, and one in four children in that age group—a total of 11.5 million children—is at risk of hunger.
- In fiscal year 1992, approximately 4.8 million students participated in the School Breakfast Program.

—Food Research and Action Center

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Charge Against Hunger

1993 Grants at Work

ALABAMA

Hunger in Alabama: According to the Southern Rural Development Initiative, 23 of Alabama's counties are poor. Twenty-four percent of all children under 18, and 23.3% of those between five and 17, live in poverty. In five counties, more than half of those under 18 live in poverty, and eight counties are among the nation's poorest.

Escambia County Board of Education

Brewton, AL

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$25,000

The Escambia County Board of Education is responsible for schools serving 4,979 students in an economically depressed region. More than 2,906 students are eligible for free and reduced-priced meals, yet only 145 receive breakfast now. Studies indicate that nutrition is directly linked to learning. Escambia County is using the Charge Against Hunger grant to establish breakfast programs in two elementary schools and in one middle school, and, ultimately, raise academic achievement by teaching children who have been fed nutritious, appetizing meals. The money has helped the Board purchase the kitchen equipment needed to serve breakfast and for promotional efforts to make students, parents and faculty aware that the meals are available. Teachers have been asked to donate their time to oversee the breakfast program.

Alabama Coalition Against Hunger

Auburn, AL

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$15,000

The Alabama Coalition Against Hunger is a statewide coalition of concerned organizations and individuals who are working to end hunger by changing the policies, practices and perceptions that keep poor people poor. In 1992, although 65.7% of the state's schools offered breakfast programs, only 34.1% of low-income students, or 104,487 out of 306,045, participated. Nearly 66% of those eligible did not receive breakfast. The Coalition is using its grant to let state residents know that school breakfast is available throughout the state, and to take away the stigma now associated with accepting free and reduced-price meals. The Coalition is meeting its goal by launching both an aggressive media campaign and an intensive outreach and advocacy program.

Dallas County Schools

Selma, AL

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$30,000

The Dallas County Schools is a 5,041-student school district in a county with an unemployment rate of 14.4 %. In four schools in agricultural or urban areas, 97% of students are eligible for free or reduced-price lunches, yet breakfast is not available at these schools and children arrive hungry. The school system is using its grant to buy the equipment needed to start up breakfast programs in these schools, to improve academic achievement by having well-fed children in the classrooms, and to inform parents, students and teachers about the breakfast program's availability. Teachers have been asked to donate their time to oversee the program.

ALASKA

Bean's Cafe, Inc.

Anchorage, AK

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

Bean's Cafe is a nonprofit, stand-alone nondenominational soup kitchen and day shelter, open 365 days a year, with an outreach and referral service. Since its incorporation in 1979, it has remained a local community based and supported grass-roots program and not part of any national organization. Bean's is utilizing its Charge grant to help in its mission of maintaining a center where the hungry and homeless of Anchorage are provided with hot, nutritious meals and a warm and comfortable day shelter as a safe alternative to the streets. The funds cover a portion of the shelter's food, outreach and facility costs.

Bristol Bay Regional Food Bank

Dillingham, AK

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$15,000

The Bristol Bay Regional Food Bank is a division of the Social Services department of the Bristol Bay Native Association. It faces unique challenges in this rural area in times of need; agencies that need to be utilized are not readily available, there is no easy inter-town transportation, nor are there corner grocery stores when supplies run out. This grant has helped the agency purchase equipment needed to process and store donated food like wild game and fish into portion-controlled sizes for distribution to the needy and for general operating expenses, included but not limited to salaries, supplies, and air freight to remote villages. The funds have also been allocated to train volunteers in meat cutting and packaging, not only for Food Bank donations, but also to teach safe, sanitary food practices to the community.

Bethel Community Services

Bethel, AK

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$15,000

This organization was established in 1969 by Bethel residents as a federally recognized private, nonprofit corporation. It was called the Bethel Receiving Home, Inc., and was created to provide emergency shelter care for children and youth in state custody. Today it currently administers about 10 different youth, day care and adult services programs, and is also part of the Food Bank of Alaska network. The Charge Against Hunger grant was used to hire a half-time staff member who serves as food distribution coordinator, responsible for ordering and packing food for shipping to eligible recipients in nearby villages as well as within the Bethel community. Funds also are to be used for equipment and supplies necessary for more efficient food distribution, for paperwork and for some shipping costs.

Missing file: Fairbanks Community Food Bank Service

ARIZONA

Westwood School/Alhambra School District

Phoenix, AZ

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$12,000

Phoenix's Westwood School serves a culturally diverse 950-student population in kindergarten through third grade. Ninety percent of its students live below the poverty level and nearly all have untraditional living conditions. Despite their backgrounds, the school's students score well on academic comparison tests. The school attributes this success in part to its breakfast program, which feeds close to 500 of the 950 students. The school has used its Charge Against Hunger grant to purchase equipment that will help sustain its breakfast program--two milk coolers and one bun divider--and to continue the promotion of its breakfast program.

Gila River Indian Community Juvenile Detention And Rehabilitation Center

Sacaton, AZ

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$15,000

The Gila River Indian Community is home to 11,500 Native Americans, with 97% living below the poverty line. The Juvenile Detention and Rehabilitation Center (JDRC) was started five years ago to help 600 of the community's at-risk and delinquent teenagers each year. One year ago, the JDRC began O'Otham Oidak (meaning Fields of the People), a farm and garden project that teaches youngsters how to farm and how to eat healthfully to avoid the diabetes and obesity that plague the community's members. The community is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to serve 200 more people, train master gardeners, establish a cooperative farmer's market for which members will receive discounts commensurate with hours worked, increase crop yield by purchasing a tractor and, ultimately, improve the community's eating habits and health.

White Mountain Apache Tribe Health Authority

Whiteriver, AZ

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$15,000

The White Mountain Apache Tribe Health Authority provides health-related services to the 10,500 Apaches and 3,000 other residents living on the White Mountain Reservation. Unemployment is over 60% and more than half of its residents live in poverty. The Health Authority is using its grant to establish an Emergency Food Distribution Program, which will give food to families in need on an emergency basis. It will also set up a system for buying and storing the food and referring recipients to appropriate social service and health sources when necessary.

ARKANSAS

Hunger in Arkansas: Arkansas has a population of 2,350,724. According to the 1990 census, approximately 15% of Arkansas families, and 19% of all of its residents, were living in poverty. Twenty-nine percent of all children were living in poverty. Of the entire nation, Arkansas was ranked as having the lowest state median income for four-person families in 1990. Twenty percent of all Arkansas births in 1990 were to teenage women; 25% were to women with less than a high school education.

University of Arkansas Medical Sciences Department of Pediatrics Division of Developmental Pediatrics Growth and Development Program

Little Rock, AR

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$20,000

The Growth and Development Program is an outpatient children's clinic, operated by the Division of Developmental Pediatrics, part of the Department of Pediatrics located at Arkansas Children's Hospital. The Department of Pediatrics is affiliated with the University of Arkansas, which facilitates research, teaching and clinical objectives for children, regardless of their ability to pay. The Program is a leader in helping children with Failure to Thrive, an infant condition often the result of malnutrition. The Program is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to improve its existing Failure to Thrive services by expanding clinical outreach, performing more clinical research, hiring a parent support/education employee and a secretary, computerizing its clinical records and adding a service component for more aggressive home-based family education and support.

Potluck, Inc.

Little Rock, AR

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

Potluck, Inc.--Arkansas' first perishable, prepared food recovery program--was founded in 1991 by the Junior League of Little Rock. It is a small, independent provider of freshly prepared food to children, serving Pulaski County. Potluck served over 230,000 pounds of food in 1993 and hopes to serve up to 400,000 pounds this year. As part of that goal, Potluck is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to provide 25,000 pounds of food to two grass-roots agencies serving breakfast and dinner to inner-city children. The money helps cover costs of food distribution, including pans, fuel, driver and office support.

COLORADO

Pueblo School District No. 60

Pueblo, CO

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$30,000

Pueblo School District No. 60 serves 17,800 students, 65% of whom are eligible for free and reduced-price meals. The system has 23 elementary schools, one alternative school and 10 secondary schools. Pueblo serves cold breakfasts in all schools, but only 13% of students participate on any given day. Participation more than doubles when hot breakfasts are served, so Pueblo has put its Charge Against Hunger grant toward the purchase of microwave ovens that allow the elementary schools to serve hot breakfasts every day. It also used its grant to buy equipment for serving hot breakfasts at two high schools, two middle schools and its Keating Education Center.

Laradon

Denver, CO

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

Laradon is a private, non-profit organization that serves 325 people daily. All are children and youth with special needs--many have development disabilities, are at risk of developmental delays or have survived traumatic head injuries. Ninety-three percent of the students served live at or below the poverty level. Laradon has used its Charge Against Hunger grant to initiate a breakfast program providing a free, balanced breakfast to 40 low-income preschoolers and school-age students. The funds have also helped the group educate parents in nutrition and meal planning.

Missing file: People's Clinic, Boulder

CONNECTICUT

Hunger in Connecticut: Although Connecticut has the highest per capita income in the country, hunger is a growing problem. In the past three years, the state has lost nearly 200,000 jobs, hurting its labor force of 1.8 million significantly. State funding for the impoverished has been cut. Two years ago, all state-funded energy assistance was eliminated. Approximately two-thirds of Connecticut's food pantries serve primarily female-headed households with children. According to the national Community Childhood Hunger Identification Project, 80,000 children were hungry or at risk for hunger.

Hunger Division of the Connecticut Association for Human Services

Hartford, CT

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$16,500

The CAHS is an independent, nonprofit organization committed to decreasing poverty, neglect and inequality in Connecticut. It is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to expand the scope of school breakfast programs and fund a School Breakfast Campaign to get the state to require at least 40% of all severe-need schools to provide breakfast; in such schools, 60% of students are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. The grant has also helped to: educate school officials, Connecticut Anti-Hunger Coalition members and the public; promote school breakfast to residents opposing it; communicate with active Anti-Hunger Coalition members; and work with the media to generate support for change among the general public.

DELAWARE

Edward W. Pyle Summer Feeding Program

Frankford, DE

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$20,000

The Summer Feeding Program, sponsored by the Edward W. Pyle State Service Center, feeds thousands of hungry children each summer. Last year, it provided 8,500 lunches and 1,500 breakfasts a day during the summer. The program is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to expand its scope and feed children evening meals year round, and to feed needy children who do not attend school and who may seldom get a nutritious meal at all.

Christina School District

Newark, DE

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$12,000

The Christina School District has 19,000 students, 7,000 of whom are eligible for free and reduced-price meals. The district has used its Charge Against Hunger grant to renovate an antiquated kitchen, to improve the quality of breakfast and the efficiency of preparing and serving the meal. Christina has replaced a flat-top stove with a new steamer, reposition the serving line to improve line speed and install a convection oven. To make the dining area more appealing to students, Christina plans to repaint the walls and hang posters highlighting the importance of breakfast.

CALIFORNIA

Still recovering from the recession and a major earthquake, California reports a 10% unemployment rate, while costs of food, housing and child care have skyrocketed. Ninety-seven percent of residents in federal food stamp programs have few or no assets; more than half are at 50% of the poverty line. Eight cities have lost supermarkets, and Los Angeles alone lost 35, leaving inner-city residents with more expensive food than its suburban counterparts. Thirty percent of California's children under 12 are hungry or at risk for hunger. Sixty percent of food stamp recipients are under 18; nearly 80% of food stamp households are headed by women. Recently, Aid to Families with Dependent Children was sliced by over 10%, putting an additional 250,000 children at risk of going to bed hungry. Only two million, or 42%, of California's 5.8 million school children eat a school lunch every day. Only 30% of low-income children who eat school lunch also get a school breakfast; the main reason is that only 42% of public schools operate a breakfast program. Only 125,000 children get a nutritious daily meal during the summer.

San Francisco Food Bank

San Francisco, CA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$20,000

The San Francisco Food Bank is a central food bank for 300 human service agencies with food assistance or meal programs serving a total of 14,000 people a day. It solicits, allocates and distributes groceries from food producers to these agencies. The SFFB is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to fund the new Practical Nutrition Project, which aims to help families break out of the cycle of poverty by teaching them nutrition guidelines, giving them food, teaching them how to manage a budget and helping participants through personal crises.

Southern California Interfaith Hunger Coalition

Los Angeles, CA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$30,000

The Southern California Interfaith Hunger Coalition works at local, state and national levels to alleviate hunger through advocacy, education and technical assistance to providers of emergency services. The Coalition is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to encourage the development of more school breakfast and summer food programs to help children by funding the staff and developing support materials. The Breakfast Keeps You Growing campaign is working to begin School Breakfast Programs in at least 10 communities, helping 15,000 children, a 20% increase. The Let's Eat in the Heat summer food program is targeting at least 10 communities whose children benefit from free meals when school is out.

People United for a Better Oakland (PUEBLO)

Oakland, CA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$15,000

PUEBLO is a community-based, multilingual organization of low-income people in Oakland, CA, that takes a lead in efforts concerning children's welfare and other community concerns. PUEBLO is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to expand the city's school breakfast program to additional elementary schools and improve access to these programs where they do exist. PUEBLO is also working to establish a Universal Meals program, providing all low-income schools with automatic free breakfast and lunch certification.

Contra Costa Food Bank

Concord, CA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$14,000

The Contra Costa Food Bank is the clearinghouse for food donations and distribution in Contra Costa County, providing food for 37,000 people every month. The Food Bank is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to achieve three goals: increase by 50% the number of eligible children served by the Summer Food Program in Concord (760 were served last year); expand the School Breakfast Program into five elementary and middle schools in Richmond; and increase to 3,000 the number of students participating in Richmond's existing School Breakfast Programs to 3,000, up from the current 1,650.

Orange County Community Development Council

Garden Grove, CA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$14,000

The Orange County Community Development Council is a nonprofit organization that provides services to help low-income people overcome barriers to being self-sufficient and also aims to combat poverty. The Council's Food Bank distributes more than six million pounds of food a year to 145 member agencies, and more than 150,000 residents each quarter. The program provides free meals to approximately 2,050 children; more than 125,000 children are eligible but have not participated. The Council is using its grant to hire a full-time employee as Outreach Coordinator to expand and advocate for the county's Summer Food Program.

California Food Policy Advocates

San Francisco, CA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$23,000

California Food Policy Advocates (CFPA) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the health and well-being of low-income Californians by increasing their access to adequate and nutritious diets. The staff helps community organizations identify and solve critical food access problems. The CFPA is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to expand the state's School Breakfast Programs. Its specific goals are to monitor schools about to decide whether to begin School Breakfast Programs and those with new programs; urge 20 needy rural districts to begin School Breakfast Programs; provide technical assistance to schools interested in starting breakfast programs; work with the state Department of Education to design and distribute a parent-organizing guide; and launch a publicity and outreach campaign to expand and promote the school breakfast program to parents and children.

Los Angeles Regional Foodbank

Los Angeles, CA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

The Los Angeles Regional Foodbank solicits food from all sectors of the food industry and distributes the collected food to hungry residents through more than 700 charitable agencies. The Foodbank feeds more than 300,000 people each week. The Foodbank is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to buy a computer for its Extra Helpings Program. The computer will be used to generate monthly reports for large corporate donors, which will free staff up for other tasks. The computer will also be used to develop promotional materials.

The Foodbank of Southern California

Long Beach, CA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

The Foodbank of Southern California is a community-based, nonprofit, private corporation that provides emergency food assistance to hundreds of charitable agencies for distribution to the hungry people in Los Angeles County.

Sixty-five percent of its food goes to children and 20%

goes to seniors. The Foodbank is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to buy a second refrigerated truck, enabling the organization to deliver more food to more locations. It will also prevent spoilage, a problem which historically has cost the Foodbank a great deal of food.

Second Harvest Food Bank of Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties

San Jose, CA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$7,000

The Second Harvest Food Bank of Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties is a private, nonprofit organization that collects the food industry's surplus and distributes it to 361 agencies and sites, which in turn feed the hungry. About 122,000 people are served each month. The Food Bank also operates a food assistance hotline, a community nutrition program and an extensive volunteer program. Second Harvest is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to buy equipment that will make operations run more efficiently and improve sanitation and safety. For example, removable racks for the sides of the truck will make nearly every aspect of food delivery easier and safer. A steam cleaner/sanitizer will allow Second Harvest to replace disposable containers with permanent ones, saving money and enabling better cleaning.

El Centro School District

El Centro, CA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$17,600

The El Centro School District, serving an agricultural community on the Mexican border, counts a large number of hungry children in its ranks of 6,400 students. More than 27% of children ages five to 17 live below the poverty level, and 68% of students are identified as needy. The school district offers continental breakfast to its students but participation remains low, with only 27% of needy students participating. The school district is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to buy equipment that will enable the district to offer students a more appealing hot breakfast service with items that are more familiar to them, like machaca and huevos rancheros. The equipment is being placed in four main "commissary" schools, which will allow hot breakfasts to be served in all district schools.

Familia Center

Santa Cruz, CA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

The Familia Center is a Latino-based community services agency in North Santa Cruz County. It offers bilingual, bicultural services such as providing food, educating the poor, distributing clothing and running a youth enrichment program. Nearly half of its clients earn under \$7,500 a year. The Familia Center is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to expand its food distribution program to serve 4,000 people with food, and with diet and health education. Specifically, the grant is being used to hire a part-time food pantry coordinator, purchase a used commercial refrigerator and chest freezer and offer nutrition classes every month.

Love Is Feeding Everyone (LIFE)

Los Angeles, CA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$9,200

LIFE provides food for the needy during times of crisis, such as natural disasters. After the Los Angeles' most recent earthquake, LIFE provided 400,000 to 500,000 pounds of free food for residents. It is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to arrange for the provision of free food at parks and emergency centers should another crisis occur, and food that is not canned, refrigerated and needs no preparation.

Survive Food Bank

Riverside, CA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$12,000

The Survive Food Bank, a member of the Second Harvest National Food Bank Network, provides a variety of services to the low-income communities in Riverside and San Bernardino Counties. Its mission is to alleviate hunger by distributing donated food to certified charities, and to make communities aware of local hunger problems. It feeds from 60,000 to 100,000 people every month. The Survive Food Bank is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to buy equipment that will enable the group to distribute 15% more food each year for the next three years. The necessary equipment includes a semi-tractor and 45-foot trailer, and a 48-foot refrigerated trailer.

Haight Ashbury Food Program

San Francisco, CA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$20,000

The Haight Ashbury Food Program serves lunches to 350 hungry people in San Francisco's Haight Ashbury district every day. The Program gets a great deal of usable but not saleable seafood from the city's piers. It is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to work towards getting more free seafood, and to develop a similar program in which supermarkets will donate produce and other perishables. A project coordinator will be hired to recruit and run the produce project.

Grupo de la Comida

San Francisco, CA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$20,000

Grupo de la Comida is a volunteer organization that provides fresh food and basic staples on a weekly basis to recently arrived Central American refugees. It serves an average of 95 households and three shelters, or 1,000 people, every week. Grupo de la Comida is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to pay a stipend to its director/coordinator, and to buy milk, eggs, cheese, tortillas, rice, beans and special holiday foods.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

DC Hunger Action

Washington, D.C.

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$17,000

D.C. Hunger Action has worked effectively to help D.C. residents apply for the food stamp program and to know their rights and federal regulations. D.C. Hunger Action is using its Charge grant to conduct door-to-door outreach on the School Breakfast/Summer Lunch Programs in targeted low-income neighborhoods to increase participation in these federal food assistance programs.

Edward C. Mazique Parent Child Center

Washington, D.C.

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$50,000

The ECM/PCC is a comprehensive, family-centered, early intervention program that seeks to ensure that every child it serves is given an opportunity to develop his or her maximum potential through the provision of a healthy and educationally sound environment. The center is using the grant to supplement its nutrition and health education projects to ensure that the nutrition knowledge gained by clients can be fully implemented. This goal is being met with additional workshops, written materials and video presentations on nutrition and health, demonstrations and one-on-one family counseling, bimonthly supervised shopping trips to bargain grocery stores, emergency food assistance facilities/programs and a stipend for a parent coordinator for all nutrition activities.

Capital Area Community Food Bank

Washington, D.C.

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$20,000

The mission of this organization is to feed the District's hungry by acquiring food and distributing it through its network of community agencies and by supporting participating agencies and others with information, technical assistance and advocacy. The Food Bank has used its grant to help provide support for its community-based farm project, From the Ground Up, a program that helps people help themselves by providing the opportunity for them to grow their own produce and bring it back into their neighborhoods. This, in turn, provides the Food Bank's agency clients--seniors, the unemployed and the homeless--with greater access to nutritious food. Funds are being used for transportation to and from the farm, paying wages to homeless men and women, purchasing shovels, rakes, hoes and other farming equipment and for buying supplies including seeds, hoses and buckets and the items to run a food stand back in the city.

FLORIDA

With 12.7% of Florida's population living below the poverty line, the state ranks twenty-third among the 50 states in poverty. For minority members, that figure is drastically increased with 19.5% of Hispanics and 31.5% of African-Americans living in poverty. One-fifth of Florida's infants, or 200,000 children, live in poverty and at risk of hunger. In response to this, the combined efforts of the state's food banks has distributed over 33 million pounds of food.

Haitian American Foundation, Inc.

Miami, FL

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$20,000

HAFI is a nonprofit organization founded to assist the disadvantaged population of South Florida in becoming self-sufficient members of their community. The agency is using its Charge grant to establish a food pantry to work in tandem with its Crisis Assistance, Elderly Assistance, Youth and various other programs.

Community Outreach Ministries, Inc.

Clewiston, FL

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

Located in the small, agricultural community in Hendry County, this new agency will serve local residents and the large influx of migrant workers who harvest the citrus and sugar cane crops. Community Outreach Ministries is using its Charge grant to start a food pantry as well as an after-school program.

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida

Orlando, FL

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

In cooperation with the Florida Association of Food Banks and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Central Florida Food Bank will glean fruits and vegetables from farmers' markets and harvests and deliver it to all the food banks in Florida. The agency is using its Charge funding to operate the truck necessary to pick up the produce and hopes to glean over one million pounds of fresh fruits and vegetables.

Daily Bread Food Bank

Miami, FL

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

Daily Bread Food Bank has been serving the South Florida community since 1981. Because all food banks charge a shared maintenance fee to equitably distribute operational costs, some smaller agencies that do not receive public funding may have difficulty in purchasing low-cost, healthy food. The Daily Bread Food Bank is using its Charge grant to provide funding to these small agencies so that they may participate in the large, cooperative purchasing program.

Jefferson School

Monticello, FL

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$9,000

This small school district has only 2,100 students but over 700 students who are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. Currently, 300 students participate in the school breakfast program. Jefferson Elementary School is using its Charge grant to increase participation and expand this program by purchasing new kitchen equipment and creating a promotional campaign.

GEORGIA

The state of Georgia ranks highest in infant mortality with 18% of its children living below the poverty level. The illiteracy rate is also very high among all the poor in the state. With no mandated school breakfast program, 64.5% of the school districts have one and it reaches only 57% of school-age children. While 436,217 low-income students received lunch in 1992, only 166,543 students received breakfast across the state.

Atlanta Community Food Bank
Atlanta, GA
Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$30,000

The Atlanta Community Food Bank is a nonprofit organization that was formed in 1979 to provide a long-term response to the dual problems of hunger and food waste. The agency recovers edible, nutritious but unmarketable food from the food industry and channels it to disadvantaged members of the community through nonprofit feeding programs. The grant is being used to organize and implement a statewide education and broadened outreach program designed to increase the number of schools participating in the School Breakfast Program and the number students, especially from low-income families, who will receive a morning meal at school. The broader outreach includes the use of posters, brochures, the media and a speakers bureau and a coalition containing members from the Georgia State Association of Food Banks, Georgians For Children, United Way of Metro Atlanta, GA School Food Service Association, the Dairy Council, Georgia Dieticians Association and the Public Assistance Coalition to intensely promote the program.

Federation of Southern Cooperatives/Land Assistance Fund
Atlanta, GA
Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$20,000

This agency provides land and agriculture-related assistance to minorities throughout the rural South. Its primary objectives are to stop the trend of black farm and land loss, and develop programs to enhance the economic development of entire rural communities. The Federation is using its Charge grant to implement a rural/urban direct marketing project to provide affordable, high-quality produce to inner-city residents while establishing a stable market for minority farmers.

Second Harvest Food Bank of Coastal Georgia
Savannah, GA
Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$15,000

This organization supports 350 nonprofit agencies in 32-county area of southeastern Georgia. Eighty percent of the products currently distributed by the Food Bank are utilized in the metropolitan Savannah area or near a branch warehouse in Valdosta (180 miles away). Second harvest is using its Charge grant to initiate a rural delivery system enabling 54 rural agencies to more easily access Food Bank products and increase the numbers of meals served from those products. Grant funds are covering the refrigeration of a Food Bank truck, driver and transportation costs for the rural routes, telephone expenses and limited administrative costs.

HAWAII

Hawaii Island Food Bank

Hilo, HI

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

The Hawaii Island Food Bank collects food for distribution to member agencies, which give the food to the needy. Every month, member agencies fill 8,000 emergency requests for food and serve over 50,000 meals. The Food bank is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to buy a used van, which will replace a 21-year old van, and to hire a program manager for a food program called Hawaii Island's Table.

IDAHO

Idaho Hunger Action Council

Boise, ID

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$13,000

The Idaho Hunger Action Council is a statewide membership organization working to alleviate the effects of hunger and poverty, and to combat their causes. It is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to double participation in its "gleaning" program, which allows low-income people to glean produce from local fields and gardens when the produce would otherwise be wasted. Currently, 200 families glean 20,000 pounds of food a year.

Nez Perce Food & Nutrition Service, Nez Perce Tribe & Nez Perce Foundation

Lapwai, ID

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$15,000

The Nez Perce Indian Tribe formed the Nez Perce Foundation to obtain charitable grants for community social and health projects on the reservation, like its Food Distribution and Nutrition Education Service. The program offers a commodity food distribution to four counties in north central Idaho, where unemployment is 30% or higher. It is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to develop emergency food assistance services and a community garden project to build self-sufficiency and organize native Indian food gathering opportunities.

INDIANA

Community Centers of Indianapolis

Indianapolis, IN

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$15,000

This not-for-profit organization coordinates the delivery of social services through 14 multi-service and community centers in the Indianapolis area. This network of centers provides service quickly and efficiently for those most in need in the central Indiana area, from infants to senior citizens, and strives to offer solutions to help enrich the community. Community Centers of Indianapolis is using its Charge grant to provide expanded and improved food pantry services with a voucher system during regular working hours to better serve the low-income residents of Marion County, and to stock food pantries with items as needed.

IOWA

PrairieFire Rural Action, Inc.

Des Moines, IA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

PrairieFire assists the needy in rural and farming communities around the Des Moines area. It launched the Rural Recovery Program in 1993 in response to Iowa's long-term, post-disaster needs after the impact of flood damage and other severe weather effects. A fully staffed rural recovery phone line provides information, referral, technical assistance and advocacy support. PrairieFire is using its Charge grant to do the outreach and promotion critical to getting the word of the program out into the communities where it is needed and provide staff support for on-site work in key areas. The funds are also being put toward legal education workshops for farmers seeking recovery information and assistance after bad harvests.

KANSAS

Topeka Public Schools-USD 501

Topeka, KS

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$4,000

About 15,000 students are enrolled in the Topeka school district, and 46% of those are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. The school system is utilizing its Charge grant to expand its breakfast program at its Topeka Education Center and offer the early meal to the center's entire student body, the majority of which attend the High School Alternative Education Program because of difficulty in living situation, social skills, drug abuse or other adjustment problem. The funds have gone toward the purchase of new foodservice equipment to replace the old and obsolete units that were inadequate to serve the anticipated numbers of student patrons.

KENTUCKY

Pike County School District

Pikeville, KY

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$32,400

This rural school district serves 12,953 children in an area in which unemployment is over 10% and poverty is widespread. All 30 schools in Pike County have breakfast programs and the meals are prepared on the premises. Only a small percentage of the students eligible for a free or reduced-price breakfast take advantage of the meal. Pike County is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to encourage more students to participate in the breakfast program and educate students and parents about the importance of nutrition and health.

Kentucky Food Bank, Inc.

Elizabethtown, KY

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$2,000

The Kentucky Food Bank, a member of the Second Harvest network, distributes food that reaches the needy in 36 rural counties in south central Kentucky. Four of the agencies helped by the food bank can pay little or nothing for the services they receive, so the food bank is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to subsidize these efforts.

LOUISIANA

West Baton Rouge Parish School Board Food Service

Port Allen, LA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$20,000

Port Allen, LA, is located across the Mississippi River from Baton Rouge, the state capital. Though adjacent to a major metropolitan area, the parish remains essentially a rural community, with approximately 16% of the households having an income below the poverty level. Sixty-four percent of the children participating in the School Lunch and Breakfast Programs receive free or reduced-price meals. To increase participation, the Charge funds are being used to improve the environment in which middle- and high-school students eat breakfast. Some schools are getting an outside cafe setting, a location conducive to speed, convenience and student socialization. Other schools' regular dining areas will be enhanced with music and new tables and chairs.

MAINE

The Maine Community Childhood Hunger Identification Program reports extensive hunger among children in low-income families. It is estimated that at least 7,500 Maine children under 12 live in households which experience hunger each year, and that an additional 31,000 Maine children are living in households at risk for hunger. This means that one out of five Maine children under 12 live in families with one or more food shortage problems.

Maine School Administrative District No. 10

Allagash, ME

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$3,700

This school district is located on the Canadian border of Northwest Maine, 37 miles from the next town, and is among the most geographically isolated in the nation. Eighty percent of the children receive free or reduced lunches and about 50% are below the poverty level. The school's kitchen had access to weekly food deliveries only, so its breakfast program had a limited range of selection, causing lagging student interest. But, with the Charge grant, the foodservice program has been able to purchase a new freezer, which creates greater food inventory space, menu item variety and student participation.

Maine School Administrative District No. 34

Belfast, ME

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$12,000

Belfast is located in Waldo County, which has the lowest per capita income in the state, and also has one of Maine's highest unemployment figures. While, MSAD No. 34's ethnic profile is homogeneous, the rural poverty represented by this community is often overlooked. Children come to school hungry and are often treated to snacks by caring teachers. However, with its Charge grant, the Kermit Nickerson School in the district is now able to implement a breakfast program by purchasing cafeteria chairs, a reach-in freezer, a toaster, and a dishwasher with two-bay sink and dish table.

Preble Street Resource Center

Portland, ME

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$12,500

Preble Street Resource Center is a nonprofit, multi-service organization and community center providing meals and comprehensive services to greater Portland's homeless and low-income population. Services include the city's only Breakfast Program, day shelter, housing location assistance, arts program, counseling, information and referral services and consumer advocacy groups. The center, in its new location and as the leading agency of the new Community Resources Center, is a model of a low-barrier, holistic system with nutritional, medical, housing, mental health, substance abuse and other services available under one roof. With its Charge grant, it is funding Breakfast Program expansion to the weekend, in order to meet hunger needs and fully realize its potential as a model of service delivery.

East End Kid's Katering

Portland, ME

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$17,000

EEKK is a nonprofit wing of a nonprofit child care and family services organization that has worked with low-income families since 1971. The organization was formed to provide low-cost, nutritious meals, nutrition education and job training opportunities to the community and help resolve the problem of hunger in children. EEKK is using its grant to hire a program developer to work with its foodservice staff team to expand the Summer Meals Program in Portland and into currently unserved areas of Maine. The funds are also supporting the creation of guides and training videos and the purchase of a computer to expedite the agency's services.

Maine Coalition for Food Security

Orono, ME

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$5,000

The Maine Coalition for Food Security is a statewide advocacy, education and research organization that works to end hunger and foster food security. Its mission includes: supporting efforts to determine the extent of hunger in Maine; monitoring programs that contribute to food security; educating and informing the public about hunger in Maine; promoting improved nutrition for all Maine residents and empowering concerned citizens by providing a forum in which representatives of diverse organizations can share knowledge, ideas and strategies and can plan and coordinate action to affect public policy. The agency is using its funds to continue to develop itself into a stronger, more viable organization by increasing a half-time position into a full-time job and to plan, organize and implement the activities required to strengthen the public/private partnership for reducing hunger and fostering food security.

Missing: Heifer Project International-ME (program originates in Little Rock??

MARYLAND

Maryland Food Committee

Baltimore, MD

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$20,000

The Maryland Food Committee's mission is to end hunger and malnutrition in the state. In order to accomplish this, the agency feeds the hungry while working to achieve the permanent end of hunger, with efforts that include direct feeding programs, Super Pantry programs, self-sufficiency training, School Breakfast outreach, public education, legislative lobbying and political organizing. Three-quarters of the Charge grant is going toward the Super Pantry program's operating costs, and the rest will pay for the salaries of two program specialists who are responsible for developing Super Pantry outlets by providing technical assistance to agencies and organizations throughout Maryland.

University of Maryland Foundation, Inc./Growth and Nutrition Clinic

Baltimore, MD

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$25,000

Located in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Maryland School of Medicine, this facility is a multidisciplinary, family-focused clinic for children under three years of age with growth problems. The clinic is using its Charge grant to implement and evaluate an intensive family advocacy program that provides training on meal planning, preparation, nutrition and feeding to families of children with failure-to-thrive. The individually tailored, experimental program includes home visits, shopping trips, demonstrations, and active participation with families and community agencies.

MASSACHUSETTS

Somerville Public Shools/Department of Foodservice

Somerville, MA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$30,000

At Somerville Public Schools, 3916 students are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. Currently only a third participate in the School Breakfast Program. The school system is using its Charge grant to hire a special program outreach/promotion specialist, purchase a computer system to raise efficiency and create nutrition promotional and educational materials, and cover other operational costs generated from promoting the program for increased participation.

University of Massachusetts Medical Center, Dept. of Pediatrics

Worcester, MA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$20,000

The center's Pediatric Growth and Nutrition Clinic is a multidisciplinary clinic providing family-centered evaluation and treatment for children with Failure to Thrive or who are not growing and developing normally, and whose families have multiple psychosocial problems. The clinic is using its allocation to expand the psychosocial services of its Failure to Thrive division to provide access to culturally diverse of poor populations and also purchase a more efficient data base management system.

Drumlin Farm's Food Project

Lincoln, MA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$15,000

Drumlin Farm's Food Project is a self-funded program of the Massachusetts Audubon Society, entering its third year of a three-year initiative that seeks to develop an innovative service and education program through farming. The organization is using its Charge monies to provide for general operational and programming support of this farm-based hunger relief and education project that works with Boston youth. Participants grow over 50,000 pounds of fresh, high-quality vegetables that is distributed primarily to soup kitchens and low-income families. The youngsters are learning job skills and understanding more about poverty and hunger issues, and work in the kitchens preparing the food they have grown themselves.

Michigan

Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lakes Superior Chippewa Indians

Watersmeet, MI

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$12,000

According to the current Bureau of Indian Affairs Labor Force Report, there are 273 Indians residing on or near the reservation. The closest, economical, grocery store is 35 miles away. The unemployment rate for the reservation is 14.5% and of those employed, 9.2% earn less than 7,000 annually. The geographical isolation of the LVD community coupled with the ongoing struggle for economic self-sufficiency presents a constant need for emergency assistance with food and energy. They are using their Charge grant to establish an Emergency Food Bank to meet these emergency food needs.

Hunger Action Coalition

Detroit, MI

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$30,000

The Hunger Action Coalition is a fifteen year old advocacy and education organization working to end hunger in Michigan. Detroit, in particular, has one of the highest percentages of children living in poverty of any city in the US - 46.6%. In Wayne County, which includes Detroit, 55% of female-headed households with children under 18 are poor. There are as many as 225,000 hungry children in Michigan. Since only 140 of Detroit's 278 schools offered the Breakfast Program, HAC is using its grant to fund the "Building Better Community for Brighter Kids with School Breakfast" project, in which four schools with low participation rates and two high-needs schools who did not offer the program were targeted. Within three months of the grant, all six of the schools showed significant percentage increases in the number of children who participated in the program.

Food Gatherers

Ann Arbor, MI

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

FG's mission is to glean perishable food, which would otherwise go to waste, from donors and distribute it to community agencies providing food to people in need. By 1993, FG rescued food from over 125 donors and distributed it to more than 55 agencies in Washtenaw County. Even still, the average individual misses more than one in four meals, and FG estimates that 7-9 million meals are missed annually. FG is using its Charge grant to convert a new, donated Ford Econoline van into a refrigerated unit. This ability to transport food more effectively allowed FG to add 20 new donors to its daily pick-ups and provide 20,000 additional meals to people in need.

Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians

Sault Ste. Marie, MI

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$15,000

The Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians has an enrollment of over 18,000 across the United States and over 8,000 in Eastern Michigan. With the Charge grant they are continuing an extensive nutrition education and outreach program. (USDA Food Distribution Program) Outreach is conducted at food distribution sites for Indian people residing in a vast 15-county region. The recipients are provided with useful information regarding nutritious diet and food preparation and selection. Educational emphasis is placed on prevention of obesity, diabetes, dyslipidemia and cancer, the leading causes of mortality for Indian people in Michigan.

Jackson Public Schools

Jackson, MI

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$20,000

Jackson Public Schools has a total enrollment of 7,863 students and 56% of these qualify for free and reduced-price meals. Only 22% receive them. The National School Breakfast Program is offered in 15 of the 16 schools in the district, with food production taking place in five of the schools while the remaining eleven receive satellite services transported from a central kitchen. They are using their Charge grant to purchase equipment such as ovens, refrigeration holding units and hot food bars, making it possible for the satellite operations to accomodate hot breakfast service.

Mason-Lake Intermediate School District

Ludington, MI

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$5,000

Mason Lake is an intermediate school district providing special education services to handicapped children from ages 2 to 25. The children come from all income levels and ethnic backgrounds. Although small, the 48 children are all too physically, mentally or multiply-impaired to function outside the developmental center. With its Charge grant, Mason-Lake is starting up a Breakfast Program and purchasing essential equipment such as service carts, silverware holders, insulated carriers to transport food, hot and cold food pans and food storage boxes.

MINNESOTA

Minnesota FoodShare

Minneapolis, MN

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$5,000

This agency was founded in 1982 as a response initiated by the religious community of Minnesota to the needs of hungry people. The program conducts a month-long, statewide food drive for 252 foodshelves. In the last two years, Minnesota FoodShare has been involved in the process of determining and promoting long-term solutions to hunger's root causes. The organization is using its Charge grant to expand the state's School Breakfast Program. Funds are going toward consultatns and resources that encourage expansion through outreach and community organizing.

Hale School/Minneapolis Public Schools

Minneapolis, MN

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$12,000

This elementary school has 318 pupils eligible for free or reduced-price meals, but only a third participate in the school's breakfast plan. The school is using its monies to conduct intensive breakfast outreach and educational programs with parents and students as well as purchase new equipment (television monitor with speakers and cassette/CD player, video/cassette library, traffic noise light monitor) to enhance the lunchroom environment.

Leech Lake Tribal College

Cass Lake, MN

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

Leech Lake Tribal College is a post-secondary school, chartered by the Leech Lake Reservation Tribal Council in 1990 to provide for the educational needs for the people of the reservation, located in north central Minnesota, and offers a two-year Associate of Arts or Applied Sciences degree. The Tribal College is using its Charge funds to continue to develop the Project Grow Health and Wellness Curriculum, expand and continue the Indigenous Seed Search and Tribal College Garden programs and provide research, educational materials and technical assistance to Project Grow gardeners. The grant is also being used to coordinate summer youth programs, provide dietary and cooking information and hire a seasonal agricultural coordinator.

Red School House

St. Paul, MN

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

One hundred percent of this school's student population is eligible for free or reduced-price meals, but doesn't see full participation in school breakfast or lunch. Red School House is using its Charge grant to buy the appropriate equipment suitable for improved food preparation and production, which will allow it to continue to provide these meals for students--often the only food they eat all day.

Kelliher School District No. 36

Kelliher, MN

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$1,000

Kelliher school is a K-12 facility with 316 students, located an estimated 75 miles from the Canadian border. Using its own funds, the district started up its own breakfast program in 1992. The grant is enabling the school to increase the number of participating students through the purchase of additional foodservice equipment to expedite service and provide a better meal.

Second Harvest St. Paul Food Bank

Maplewood, MN

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

This organization collects and redistributes food donations to private nonprofit agencies with food distribution or on-site feeding programs. It operates five programs: St. Paul Food Bank, a warehouse distribution program; MAC/NAFS, a commodity supplemental food program; Twelve Baskets, a prepared and perishable food rescue program; Operation Joy; and Product Recovery program. The grant is enabling the organization to purchase a refrigeration unit for a new pickup and delivery vehicle and aluminum pans and lids for a new collection route.

Little Earth Resident Association Food Shelf

Minneapolis, MN

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$15,000

The Little Earth Resident Association Food Shelf serves the needs of 638 residents, including 370 children, in the Little Earth of United Tribes low-income housing complex. The Charge grant is being used to expand the food shelf program by moving its location so it is more accessible, increase opportunities for education on food issues, better address dietary needs, improve security and sanitation, and provide the Food Shelf Coordinator with a stable source of income.

Missing: Project Grow, Minneapolis

MISSISSIPPI

Human Development Center of MS

Jackson, MS

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$15,000

HDC is a statewide, private, nonprofit grass-roots advocacy agency that focuses primarily on hunger issues. Its mission is to link citizen efforts with those of governmental agencies and the private sector in order to improve support services to poor and low-income families. HDC is using its Charge funding to increase program sponsors, sites and participation in the Summer Feeding Program with a coordinated, concentrated outreach campaign, with technical assistance to local communities.

West Point School District

West Point, MS

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$17,000

Of this school district's current enrollment of 3,924, 75% are eligible to receive free or reduced-price meals. Though the district has a breakfast program for preschool through seventh grade, participation remains at a low 31%. With its Charge grant, the district hopes to increase participation by providing more nutrition education to students, parents and administration through more breakfast promotions and by creating a more enticing atmosphere and food items for the students with new foodservice equipment, computers and contests.

Tate County School District (for Coldwater Elementary School)

Senatobia, MS

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$11,500

A total of 1,979 students of a 3,066 enrollment in the Tate County district are eligible for free or reduced-price meals, or about 64.5% of the total enrollment. Currently, about 86% of those eligible participate every day. At Coldwater School, approximately 94% of those eligible participate every day, and officials felt that at a minimum, 70% of the lunch program attendees would also participate in a breakfast program if one existed. Therefore, the Charge grant is being used to implement a School Breakfast Program through the purchase of two new pieces of kitchen equipment and replacing two existing pieces, which will allow proper food storage and preparation.

Lexington (Holmes County Mississippi) section of the National Council of Negro Women, Inc.

Lexington, MS

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$8,000

The Lexington National Council of Negro Women, Inc., a nonprofit organization, was chartered in 1977 with 50 women who pledged to make a lasting contribution to America regardless of race, color, creed or national origin. The group is organized to cover Holmes County's five congressional subdivisions with a total population of approximately 21,604, with 65% borderline or below the poverty level, according to the 1990 Census. The organization is using its Charge funds to continue to provide emergency food services (Food Pantry) for single-parent families with minors and for the elderly who live alone and expand the Food Pantry to people who live in remote areas with no form of transportation, or who are physically handicapped and homebound.

MISSOURI

Campbell R-II Schools

Campbell, MO

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$3,900

Without proper equipment, the Campbell R-II Schools had been making their toast for school breakfasts in a gas oven and had trouble finding refrigerated storage for the childrens' milk. The school is using its Charge grant to purchase the appropriate equipment and conduct an outreach program to insure that all eligible students are using the program.

School District of Jennings

Jennings, MO

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$30,000

With over 75% of its 2,500 students eligible for free or reduced-price meals, the School District of Jennings is eager to start a breakfast program. The school district is using its Charge funding to start school breakfasts programs in its four schools, purchasing new equipment and preparation tables.

Ozarks Share-A-Meal Prepared Foods Rescue Program

Springfield, MO

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

Ozarks Share-A-Meal solicits and picks up donations of prepared foods from local professional food services and distributes the donations to food-assistance programs. Though only in operation since 1992, this agency--a member of Ozarks Food Harvest--has already distributed over 100,000 pounds of food. Ozarks Share-A-Meal is using its Charge funding for general operating expenses, including frozen and hot food containers.

Climax Springs R-IV School District

Climax Springs, MO

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$11,000

Serving 240 students in all grades in one complex, this school faces the unique problem of serving meals at the same time to all its students because they do not fit into the cafeteria. Currently, grades 7-12 eat their meals in the gymnasium. Also, with increased funding for its school breakfast program, the school expects even more students to be eating in the limited space. The Charge grant will be used to purchase essential equipment, including a cart to transport breakfast to the students who must eat in the gymnasium.

Fredricktown Intermediate School

Fredricktown, MO

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

The Fredricktown school district will begin a school breakfast program at the Fredricktown Intermediate school and then expand it to the other three schools in its district within the next two years. The intermediate school was chosen as the pilot location because almost 50% of its students are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. The Charge grant will enable the district to purchase the refrigerators and freezers necessary to start the School Breakfast Program.

Mo-Kan Regional Food Bank

St. Joseph, MO

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$15,000

Hard hit by the Mississippi flood of 1993, this food bank is working hard to meet the great demands that the flood placed on the program. Also working to meet the certification standards of the Second Harvest network, the Mo-Kan food bank is using its Charge allocation to hire two new employees, including a full-time warehouse worker in charge of inventory control.

Missouri Rural Crisis Center

Columbia, MO

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$15,000

Founded in 1985, the Missouri Rural Crisis Center was established to preserve family farms, promote environmental stewardship of the land, and to work for social and economic justice. The Charge grant will be used to meet the costs of MRCC's anti-hunger and sustainable agriculture education program as well as a pilot program for the Farm-to-City Marketing Alternative Economic Development project. This project creates a relationship between the needy in urban areas and struggling farmers.

MONTANA

As of the 1990 census, 16% of the state population lived below poverty level; 21% were at 125% or less of poverty level; and 39% lived at less than 200% of the poverty level. Montana's households living below the poverty level are composed of 46% with dependent children and 26% exclusively elderly. Seven Indian reservations contribute to the varying poverty statistics, with poverty rates dramatically higher when compared to the state as a whole, ranging from 22.9% to nearly 50%. In addition, about 20% of all Montana children lived below the poverty level; 67.1% of female-headed families with children under 5 lived below the poverty level.

Montana Food Bank Network Council, Inc.

Missoula, MT

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$12,000

This network of community-based, nonprofit food bank and feeding programs: operates a statewide system for the transportation and storage of donated, purchased and gleaned food; works to further state, regional and national cooperation and coordination to provide adequate food to the people of Montana; and develops and makes available statewide data collection to facilitate organized information about needy communities and the services provided from local agencies. A tractor/trailer has been donated to help transport food to over 100 state network agencies, but this vehicle isn't enough to help, especially with cutbacks in state and federal funding. The council is using its Charge grant to cover transportation and other increased operational costs in distributing 60,000 pounds of food monthly.

Montana Hunger Coalition

Helena, MT

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$14,000

The Montana Hunger Coalition is a volunteer advocacy group with the goal of eliminating hunger in Montana. Its School Breakfast Committee, in collaboration with the State Office of Public Instruction's School Food Division, identified communities actively seeking support and resources for implementation of school breakfasts and helped organize programs throughout the state. Because of that campaign, the MHC established significant partnerships across the state and gained invaluable experience in working at the community level to mobilize key individuals. The group is using its funds to build upon those partnerships and experience and expand the mission to include the Summer Feeding Program. The Committee has hired a project coordinator to work and guide each community's participation.

Northern Cheyenne Tribe, Inc.

Lame Deer, MT

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$15,000

The Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council is the primary unit of government on the Northern Cheyenne reservation. The Tribe was chartered on Nov. 7, 1936 as a federally chartered corporation; provisions of the charter and by-laws permit the council to act on financial aspects of economic development and loan negotiations. The Tribe and the Lame Deer Public School sponsor a Summer Feeding Program, and the number of participating children grows each year. The Charge grant is being used to offset the costs of program expansion--hiring additional staff, purchasing extra food preparation equipment, and transporting food to various districts.

Chippewa Cree Tribe/Rocky Boy Health Board/Senior Citizens

Box Elder, MT

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$15,000

The Rocky Boy Health Board/Senior Citizens Project is a component of the Chippewa Cree tribal government structure specific to health and welfare of all tribal members with particular emphasis on elderly needs. The Tribe has a nutrition program for its elders, and currently serves 246 seniors with a budget of \$88,000 annually. The Tribe is using its grant to purchase fresh fruit and vegetables to be served in lieu of the canned products formerly in use, hold training seminars on nutrition, preparation and gardening, and provide the additional transportation and outreach necessary.

NEBRASKA

South Sioux City Public School District

South Sioux City, NE

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

The South Sioux City Community School District operates a very popular and successful lunch program, with monthly participation running between 88%-91%. However, it had no breakfast program in any of its locations. Because of the high ratio of free/reduced children within the district, roughly 38%, the school system felt it necessary to establish such a program. The District is using its grant to help expand into a breakfast program; the funds have been put toward the purchase of a toaster, wedger and a microwave and an additional freezer.

Creighton Community Public Schools-54-0013

Creighton, NE

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$3,730

Creighton Schools, with an enrollment of 412 students and 166 eligible for free/reduced fee meals, had a small participation rate at breakfast time. The system needed to boost its limited breakfast offerings and make the early meal more appealing to students by updating its equipment and expanding its facilities. The Charge Grant is being used for a cold and hot bar, which enables staff to put out a wider assortment of items to attract students who were skipping breakfast.

Crawford Public Schools

Crawford, NE

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

Crawford's student population comes from a mix of low- to middle-income families, with 57% qualifying for free or reduced-price meals. Twenty-eight% of the students come from single-parent families. Many working parents don't have time in the morning or the money to buy food to fix their children breakfast, nor do many understand the importance of a nutritious meal to start the day. Grant money is being used to: increase the number of participating students in the breakfast program; provide continuing education to parents and students about the importance of nutrition; provide continuing education to kitchen staff, allowing them to further their skills; and update and expand the hot-lunch bookkeeper's ability to complete accurate and efficient reports by purchasing a computer. A secondary goal is to encourage more senior citizens to take part in the breakfast program since there is no breakfast program for them elsewhere in the community.

NEVADA

Food Bank of Northern Nevada

Sparks, NV

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$12,000

The Food Bank of Northern Nevada was founded in 1981, incorporated as a private, nonprofit organization in 1983. From an initial distribution in 1981 of 22,000 pounds of food products to the Reno area, the Food Bank has grown to serve 85 agencies around the northern part of the state. Its Charge grant is being used to expand the Summer Food Service Program by establishing small feeding sites not currently served by recreational or educational programs throughout Washoe County. The sites are located in neighborhood parks, outside apartment complexes and local churches. Meals are delivered in a Food Bank van between 9 a.m.-3 p.m., and funds have covered the expense of equipping the van with refrigeration and extensive outreach efforts.

Project M.A.N.A.

Incline Village, NV

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$20,000

This organization is a private, nonprofit hunger relief program that responds to emergency food needs of individuals and families on the north and west shores of Lake Tahoe. With its grant, the group has helped break the cycle of hunger for numerous families through Client Empowerment Program expansion. This program has many tasks, which include helping families and individuals experiencing a hunger crisis to identify and alleviate the causes of hunger and avoid future crises, distributing a bilingual informational booklet to assist clients in identifying hunger causes and connecting people with resources and solutions, developing an in-home education program that address hunger-related issues like budgeting, shopping, low-cost meal preparation and food storage techniques; and offering aggressive outreach to low-income families to bring them into the social services network.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

The Community Kitchen, Inc.

Keene, NH

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$20,000

The Community Kitchen was founded in 1938 to serve the nutritional needs of residents of Cheshire County. In subsequent years, through its four-times-a-week hot meals program and its food box program, it has grown to provide more than 350,000 meals per year. In addition, it coordinates the work of 12 small local volunteer-led community pantries, collecting and distributing food for local redistribution. The organization is using its grant to expand its capacity and to support extensive Food Pantry and Monadnock Food Coalition programs by enhancing staff support and supplementing their food budgets. Funds are directly going to transport more donated foods, provide ongoing reliable storage for perishable items until each pantry can use them and purchase more food at reduced rates.

NEW JERSEY

The Salvation Army of New Jersey

Union, NJ

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$15,000

The Salvation Army seeks to provide for basic human needs, offering a range of services that include emergency assistance for food, shelter, clothing, counseling, referral, fellowship group activities for adults and seniors, social, recreational and tutorial programs for youth as well as summer camping and seasonal assistance. The Charge grant is being used to support the expansion of an outreach canteen feeding program for the homeless in Newark to Trenton.

Northwest New Jersey Community Action Program-Food Bank

Phillipsburg, NJ

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

NORWESCAP provides coordinated services that improve the quality of life for low-income individuals and other persons in need within the counties served, with the aim of strengthening the individuals as well as the communities in which they reside. NORWESCAP provides these services by matching identified individuals and community needs with available resources and through active community involvement. Its Food Bank receives donated food from approximately 250 major manufacturers from across the country through the Community Food Bank in Hillside, NJ, and serves as a clearinghouse to redistribute those foodstuffs to nonprofit member agencies serving low-income individuals and those at risk.. Grant funds are being used to relieve operating costs.

NEW MEXICO

Dulce Emergency Food Relief

Dulce, NM

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$12,000

Ninety percent of the Jicarilla Apache Indian reservation lives in the Dulce area. The Dulce Emergency Food Relief agency consists of a board of directors composed of tribal and community organization members. It administers a volunteer food relief program using space donated by the Jicarilla Apache Reformed Church and aims to reach those who do not currently receive any aid or those inadequately helped by other organizations. With this grant, the agency is reaching an additional 50 families/households below the poverty level, particularly the elderly and children. It is also starting an outreach program to teach clients how to budget and the principles of nutrition.

The Food Depot

Santa Fe, NM

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$20,000

The Food Depot is a unique pilot program being developed for purposes of creating a national model. It is a multipurpose food provider service center combining the efforts of three separate food distribution operations: The Food Brigade, a prepared and perishable food rescue program; Kitchen Angels, a not-for-profit organization that prepares and delivers high-quality nutritious meals to those with life-challenging conditions; and Food for Santa Fe, a food pantry program providing supplemental food to the hungry. By sharing information and acting in partnership in a facility which provides a central area for collective access to food, each program becomes more efficient and productive. The Food Depot is using its grant to fund its general start-up capital needs.

NORTH CAROLINA

Bladen County Schools

Elizabethtown, NC

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$25,000

Bladen County Schools serves 5,778 students in its rural North Carolina county. Fifty-nine percent of the students come from families with incomes below the U.S. poverty level. The school system is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to encourage a greater percentage of eligible students to eat breakfast in four schools with low participation. The funds are being used to develop a number of promotional projects including an aggressive public awareness program, a parent and community involvement program and special breakfast promotions.

Guildford County Schools

High Point, NC

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$12,000

Guildford County has 93 schools. Only 62% of the schools, and 34% of the 15,500 students eligible for free or reduced price meals, participate in the breakfast program. Guildford is starting a project that will identify obstacles to breakfast participation and overcome them, and work toward developing a Universal Breakfast program. It is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to buy much-needed kitchen equipment.

Metrolina Food Bank

Charlotte, NC

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

Metrolina is a certified Second Harvest food bank for the 17-county Metrolina area of North and South Carolina. It works with 400 member agencies to provide 44,000 meals every day. Metrolina is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to help agencies serve better food to more people. Efforts include expanding nutrition education and consulting services to member agencies; encouraging agencies to offer self-sufficiency program; attracting more qualified agencies; and advocating national food security.

North Carolina Harvest, Inc.

Charlotte, NC

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

North Carolina Harvest is the only prepared and perishable food recovery program (PPFRP) food bank serving North Carolina's Metrolina region, which includes Charlotte-Mecklenburg and nine surrounding counties. It is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to buy a computer system, which will improve the program's efficiency. The computer will be used to track all food collection and distribution; improve volunteer training; and develop marketing materials for fund-raising purposes.

Inter-Faith Food Shuttle

Raleigh, NC

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

The Inter-Faith Food Shuttle collects a ton and a half of food six days a week and brings it to nonprofit agencies, which distribute the food to the hungry in North Carolina's Triangle area. It is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to buy a refrigerated vehicle. The truck will enable Inter-Faith to collect food from twice the number of restaurants as before; efficiently manage its Milk for Needy Children program; and bring food to Durham four days a week instead of two.

North Carolina Hunger Network

Raleigh, NC

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$13,000

The North Carolina Hunger Network is a diverse, statewide grass-roots membership organization that addresses hunger through education, advocacy and research. Its primary purpose is to create a distinct voice for social change in North Carolina to reduce hunger and malnutrition. It is using its grant to finance a Summer School Food Service Program campaign to increase the number of sponsors, sites and participating students.

Northwest High School/Southeast High Schools (Halifax County School District)

Halifax, NC

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$19,000

The Halifax County School District educates 6,347 students in a very poor, rural area of North Carolina. Per capita income is \$8,980. Forty percent of children through age five, and 35% of those aged six through 17, live in poverty. At the Northwest and Southeast high schools, 87% of students are eligible for free or reduced-price breakfast, but few participate. Nearly half of those eligible never even returned the required applications. The school district is using its Charge Against Hunger grant to bring more students to school for breakfast by making cafeterias more attractive, playing videos on large screen TVs during breakfast, forming a parent support group and publicizing the program.

NORTH DAKOTA

St. Luke's Episcopal Church Emergency Food Pantry

Ft. Yates, ND

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$9,000

A part of the community for over 100 years, St. Luke's is a Mission of the Episcopal Diocese of North Dakota. An emergency food pantry is one of the ministries the Mission offers to the people of the Standing Rock Sioux Indian Reservation, in Sioux County, determined to be the 15th poorest county in the nation, and the poorest in the state. St. Luke's is using its grant to continue and expand the food pantry in its two locations--the church in Ft. Yates and a second site in Cannon Ball, ND. The funds are helping to give more complete coverage to hungry families and individuals, defer costs for food transportation from the Great Plains Food Bank in Fargo, ND to the two sites, increase the amount of food delivered and help with the costs of increased record-keeping.

Lutheran Social Services of North Dakota

Fargo, ND

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$9,000

This multifaceted social service agency has 10 major program areas: addiction recovery; adoption and foster care; counseling services; developmentally disabled programs; food distribution; residential treatment; Native American outreach; refugee resettlement; senior companion program; and youth advocacy. Because of the Daily Bread prepared and perishable food program's rapid growth, a hold had to put on the number of participating charity recipients and food donors. But with its Charge grant, Lutheran Social Services was able to purchase a second refrigerated delivery vehicle, enabling the agency to substantially increase the amount of surplus food recovered and redistributed to the hungry and homeless in the community.

Granville School District #25

Granville, ND

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$2,500

McHenry County, in which Granville School District is located, is a low-income, rural area in which ranching and farming are the prime industries. Unemployment is high, especially after a number of years of dry, almost drought-like conditions. Currently 25% of the school's 173 students in grades K-12 qualifies for free or reduced-price meals. Granville is using its grant to establish a breakfast program, buy the necessary kitchen equipment and promote participation.

OHIO

North American Indian Cultural Center

Akron, OH

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

The North American Indian Cultural Center is a multi-faceted American Indian social service agency that has been providing services on a continual basis for almost two decades. Although originally organized to specifically provide services to Ohio's American Indian population, services have been expanded to include all economically disadvantaged individuals. The center is using its grant to distribute canned goods and meat to Ohio's Native Americans on a statewide basis through its in-place network of field offices. the funds are going toward food purchases and expenses for items related to the food pantry project.

Chillicothe City Schools

Chillicothe, OH

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$18,000

According to the 1990 Census, 69,330 people with a per capita income of slightly over \$10,000 reside in Ross County, where Chillicothe schools are located. An average of 18.1% of the population draws Aid for Dependent Children and an average of 30% of the students receive free or reduced-price meals. This school system is using its allocation to improve attendance of eligible students in grades K-5 at its breakfast program by promoting parental involvement with their children in nutrition education.

Operation Food Share

Dayton, OH

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$8,000

This organization's mission is to help feed the hungry by teaching and organizing linen and uniform service companies to develop successful food transportation programs in cooperation with local hunger agencies. The SOS grant is helping to support general operating expenses for continued growth, allowing the operation to triple the amount of rescued and redistributed food, while enhancing its other programs.

Ohio Hunger Task Force

Columbus, OH

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$20,000

The Ohio Hunger Task Force is a private, nonprofit anti-hunger organization of 501(c)(3) status, progressively providing direct feeding programs, community education and public policy. These programs feed over 9,500 children daily. The force is using its funds to implement a long-term case management approach to hunger in the pantry/soup kitchen setting with the goal of moving families out of poverty. Collaborators include the Ohio Center for Family Development, an organization with a successful track record of providing training and ongoing technical assistance to community-based service providers initiating long-term work with families and individuals.

Urban Mission Ministries, Inc.

Steubenville, OH

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

The Urban Mission is a multi-faceted Christian Social Service Mission sponsored by the United Methodist Church, and is ecumenically based. The agency is using its Charge grant to expand its food pantry and increase the number of people being served. It is also helping to cover its general operating expenses and the costs of volunteer training to help carry out food distribution.

Trotwood-Madison City Schools

Trotwood, OH

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$19,000

Although the major portion of the enrollment comes from middle- and lower-middle-class homes, an increasing percentage of students are residing in one-parent homes receiving public assistance. All six elementary schools have over 40% of their enrollment eligible for free or reduced-price school lunches. Though research indicates that students who start the day with a good breakfast perform better academically throughout the morning, many pupils feel a stigma attached to eating breakfast at school. Trotwood is using its Charge grant to: offset the costs of new kitchen equipment; add personnel to help boost the School Breakfast Program; and fund parent outreach efforts and promotion materials.

OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma ranks 39th in the nation for per capita personal income of \$11,893.

Cherokee Nation

Tahlequah, OK

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$12,000

The Cherokee Nation is the federally recognized government of the Cherokee people. Its Department of Food and Nutrition offers programs that provide food and education and serves as a referral network within the Cherokee Nation Health Division. The organization is using its Charge grant to expand its food distribution outlet to the Jay community, located about 70 miles north of Tahlequah in Delaware County, which has a documented need (Delaware County's per capita income of \$10,770 is far below that of the overall state). The additional funding will help the outlet double the number of clients served, from 310 to 620.

Children's Medical Center

Tulsa, OK

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$20,000

CMC is a private, nonprofit corporation governed by a Board of Trustees composed of community leaders. Its three major areas of service are pediatrics, genetics and psychiatry, and the group is especially devoted to helping children with special needs. CMC is using its grant to return its previously existing Failure to Thrive program to its successful multidisciplinary team format as modeled on the Growth and Nutrition Program at Boston City Hospital. It is also using the funds to increase the identification of malnourished children through the development of a child-find network from local hospital and community health centers.

OREGON

Community Emergency Resources and Vital Services

Medford, OR

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$12,000

Community Emergency Resources and Vital Services' mission is to empower low-income people through training and education as well as provide emergency services such as food, clothing, and medicines. The Charge grant will enable the agency to hire a program director for its restaurant gleaning program. The program targets elderly homebound adults and people with disabilities.

Mapleton School District No. 32

Mapleton, OR

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$12,000

Over 65% of the students at Mapleton school are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. However, due to the limits of the kitchen equipment, few students find the meal appealing and participate in the breakfast program. The school projects a 30% increase in student participation with the arrival of the new kitchen equipment purchased with Charge funds.

St. Vincent de Paul FOODTRAIN

Portland, OR

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$20,000

St. Vincent de Paul is Oregon's largest provider of emergency services, serving over 275,000 individuals annually. Charge has provided funding that will allow this agency to start a Life Skills program, emphasizing proper nutrition and on-the-job training to achieve self-sufficiency. The classes will educate 140 students annually. The allocation is also covering the renovation of a partially donated warehouse as a supermarket-style facility utilizing excess and unharvested food.

West Valley Academy

Sheridan, OR

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

In a unique collaboration with eight public schools, West Valley Academy educates 110 at-risk students who would not receive the proper education at their public schools. Half of its students are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. Already working on the construction of a new kitchen, Charge funding is allowing the school to purchase desperately needed new kitchen equipment which will help make meals more appealing to its student audience.

Oregon Food Bank

Portland, OR

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$7,500

As the central food bank in Oregon, this agency distributes food to over 600 agencies in every county of Oregon. In conjunction with several other agencies, the Oregon Food Bank will host a statewide hunger summit to develop a community-supported action plan to end hunger. Charge funds will be used to support this two-day conference.

PENNSYLVANIA

Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank

McKeesport, PA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

The Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank serves one million pounds of food monthly to 370 nonprofit food agencies. In operation since 1980, the GPCFB is using their Charge Against Hunger grant to support their ongoing Super Pantry program. The program accomplishes two missions at once by providing educational programs in life skills, including proper nutrition, at the same time that clients come to local pantries to receive food assistance. Graduates of past courses have gone on to form their own support groups and to reach out to others in need in the community.

Greater Philadelphia Food Bank

Philadelphia, PA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

Distributing 9 million pounds of food a year to over 500 local agencies makes this Second Harvest member agency the region's primary provider of food for needy citizens. Like the Greater Pittsburgh Food Bank, the Philadelphia Food Bank is using its Charge grant to support the growth of its Super Pantry program, including the establishment of a new Super Pantry and child care services for mothers attending the program.

Just Harvest Education Fund

Homestead, PA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$17,000

Just Harvest was founded in 1986 to make public policy officials at all levels of government more responsive to the needs of hungry people in Allegheny County. Already successful in establishing campaigns that led to School Breakfast Programs in Pittsburgh and several other school districts, Just Harvest is using its Charge funds to campaign for School Breakfast Programs in nine more districts.

Pennsylvania Coalition on Food and Nutrition

Harrisburg, PA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$20,000

The Pennsylvania Coalition on Food and Nutrition is the only statewide anti-hunger advocacy group. Founded in 1977, this organization provides numerous technical assistance programs to state anti-hunger programs. Along with many other services, the agency is using its Charge grant to translate into Spanish its Super Pantry manual and to hire a nutritionist who will be available to all food assistance programs in the state.

Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest Pennsylvania

Erie, PA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

This food bank distributes nearly 6 million pounds of food annually to 318 food assistance programs. In a unique program to utilize all available food sources, the food bank is using its Charge funding to collect donated fruits and vegetables from local farms. In past years, this gleaning program has collected as much as 55,000 pounds of fruits and vegetables with the help of local farmers and over 100 volunteers.

Philabundance

Philadelphia, PA

Charge Against Hunger Grant: \$10,000

Philabundance serves Philadelphia's shelters, soup kitchens, and food pantries by collecting surplus food from retailers, restaurants, caterers, hotels, and other contributors. The program provides food for 4,000 meals a day while relying solely on private contributions. Philabundance is using the Charge Against Hunger Grant for ongoing general support.