

I was hungry.... you gave me something to eat,
I was thirsty.... you gave me something to drink
I was a stranger.... you invited me in,
I needed clothes....you clothed me,
I was sick....you looked after me,
I was in prison....you came to visit me
Matthew 25:35

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#### Fighting Hunger...feeding HOPE

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#### **Our Story**

More than 20 years ago, in the spring of 2002, a Tornado hit East Fort Worth. Many people lost their homes, and many more were without electricity for weeks. The Without Walls Church was located near the tornado-devastated community, and we opened our facility to become a command post to serve the community. We organized over 50 restaurants to cater hot meals to the church, and fed people in the community for over two weeks. As we worked with the people, we realized that many of the families didn't have the means to feed their families, even after the tornado crisis was over. As a result, in 2004, we founded the Fort Worth Hope Center, a 501c3 nonprofit, to provide food for the hungry in the community. Recognizing that many beneficiaries of the food program lacked job skills, in 2007 the School of Hope was added in order to provide vocational training to those in need. Over the last eighteen years, the Fort Worth Hope Center has grown into a full-fledged food bank while continuing to serve as a food pantry for local citizens. The School of Hope currently offers training on three different types of common warehouse material handling machines. The Fort Worth Hope Center is truly a beacon of hope and a place of help to those in need in Southeast Fort Worth.

#### **Our Mission**

The mission of the Fort Worth Hope Center is to fight hunger and feed hope by meeting peoples' immediate nutrition needs while also helping as many as possible to become self-sufficient.

#### **Our Vision**

Our vision is a community where people are loved, encouraged, and nurtured so they can build happy, healthy, and successful lives.

#### **Our Values**

The core values of The Fort Worth Hope Center are love, honor, and respect. We seek to serve people where they are; operate with integrity as good stewards of resources and the public trust; know that the potential for success lies within the heart of all people, and recognize that everyone deserves respect and the opportunity for a better life.



Donna Taylor
Executive Director

As we approach the end of 2024, I would like to thank all the donors, foundations, and volunteers who contributed to serving our communities in need.

FWHC was established in 2004 following a tornado that affected many families on the Eastside of Fort Worth, TX. We have grown from meeting the needs of a few families to serving 361,090 families in 2024.

FWHC continues to find ways to respond to the needs of families and individuals in Fort Worth and surrounding areas. We have expanded our outreach through partnerships with other community-based organizations, allowing us to reach those in rural areas, homelessness, and areas without public transportation.

Beyond FWHC's food assistance, we offer job training, clothing donations, counseling, identifying immediate needs, and assisting clients with applying for available resources.

FWHC is a host site to many agencies such as SER, Reemployability, Transition to Work, TX Workforce, CLC Youth, court-ordered community service, and labor detail.

Building repairs this past year were expensive and challenging, yet we managed to complete them and pass all inspections.

Although we are a small staff of five, all of whom take on multiple roles, we find satisfaction in knowing we are making a difference in the lives of many.

Our mission, Fighting Hunger... Feeding Hope, is made possible through the generosity of our donors and volunteers.

Regards,

Donna Taylor – Executive Director

#### Fort Worth Hope Center Board of Directors



Orlando Reyes Founder/Chairman/President



Jo Anne Reyes Founder



Jeffery Larson Vice President



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#### Fort Worth Hope Center Staff



**Donna Taylor** Executive Director



Rosie Applewhite
Operations Administrator
School of Hope Administrator
Inventory Control Specialist



Becky Bouldin

Registration/Volunteer Coordinator
Community Outreach Liaison
Financial Administrator



Terri Schenk
Warehouse Manager
Certified Forklift Trainer
and Food Manager



**Derrick Roberson**Warehouse Associate
Truck Driver

## Food Pantry



97,319 Food Baskets Distributed

### Food Bank



263,771 Food Baskets Distributed4,117 Holiday Baskets Distributed

Altogether, the Fort Worth Hope Center distributed 361,090 Baskets of food, fed 1,624,905 individuals and supported 32 other ministries in 2024!

# Job Training



60 People Trained 2024

Since 2007, the Powered Lift Truck Training Courses at Fort Worth Hope Center have trained over 3000 people!

# **2024 Cash Donors:**

Fort Worth Foundation	50,000.00
<b>SouthPoint Constructors</b>	38,335.00
John Henry III and Shirley Lawson	
<b>Dean Foundation</b>	30,000.00
Davis Foundation, Ken W.	25,000.00
The Ryan Foundation	25,000.00
Go Inc	20,000.00
Puig, Albert & Patricia	20,000.00
Carter Foundation, Amon G.	15,000.00
<b>Community Foundation</b>	15,000.00
Lowe Foundation	15,000.00
HEB	10,000.00
Nolan Morris	6,000.00
JL Williams Foundation	5,000.00
Sid Richardson	5,000.00
Global Online	3,250.00
Kay Whit	3,150.00
America Online	3,006.00
Ram Martinez	3,000.00
Xander Staffing	2,500.00
UK Online Giving	2,000.00
<b>GARVEY TEXAS FOUNDATION INC</b>	1,500.00
Gerry Haights	1,200.00
B & B	1,000.00
Bill Kate Weaver	1,000.00
Kubes	1,000.00
Mohanial Healthcare	1,000.00
Robert & Dawn Zullof	1,000.00
South Lake New Comers	855.00
Volunteers of America	500.00
On The Border	425.00
Discount Feed	300.00

Total: \$306,021.00

# **2024 In-Kind Donors**

Incoming Totals:		
Type Product	Total Lbs.	Total \$ Value
Food and Drink	2,426,282	\$8,454,601
Pet Food	81,513	\$672,842
Non-Foods	82,570	\$435,638
Feminine Supplies	1,124	\$11,992
Totals	2,591,489	\$9,575,074
Donor	Lbs. Donated	Weighted Value
Midwest Food Bank	1022148	\$3,950,930
FEED THE CHILDREN	554519	\$1,933,384
QUALITY SAUSAGE COMPANY	291212	\$1,365,125
TOWN TALK FOODS	301076	\$794,567
DON'T FORGET TO FEED ME/ PET FOOD BANK	93460	\$672,842
Deen Meat Company	35882	\$230,229
Mr. Sunny Salvage	59419	\$101,012
COMMUNITY FOOD BANK	42481	\$100,168
TAYLOR FARMS	25975	\$96,182
Copia	5526	\$46,515
NOGALES PRODUCE	23220	\$44,929
Individual/Anonymous Donors	13407	\$38,109
Xander	2060	\$27,027
Cargill LTL Service	1956	\$25,663
American Airlines	13365	\$23,105
Hormel	3870	\$20,768
Role Trans	20160	\$19,757
Texas Meat Packers	5687	\$16,890
Under his Wings	4867	\$14,942
She Supply	501	\$11,992
Vistar	2339	\$8,935
DT Fort Worth	1929	\$7,372
Tested Trucking	269	\$3,892
South Point Constructors	300	\$3,000
Polymerall	5888	\$2,944
TYSON FOODS	256	\$2,063
Driscolls Berries	802	\$1,853
Mute Color Corp	563	\$1,424
Samson Trucking	1209	\$1,415
True Grit	300	\$1,359
DK Transport Inc	180	\$1,152

Tarrant County Sheriff's Office	518	\$883
Christian Life- Crowley	1258	\$872
Eastside Ministries	253	\$640
Victory Transport	600	\$594
Fueling Families DFW	86	\$469
Under the Sun Outreach	150	\$375
M 7 Transportation	553	\$371
American National Bank of Texas	131	\$328
Novartis Group	178	\$322
Harmony Public Schools	373	\$280

# Organizations We Served

**1st Outreach Boarding Homes** 

**6 Stones** 

**Baker Chapel** 

**Big House Spot** 

**Boaz Restoration** 

**Bread Connection** 

**Captives Free** 

Circle L 5

**Community Food Bank** 

**Compassion of Christ** 

**Family 1st Assisted Living** 

**Fishers of Men** 

**Heart to Serve** 

**Inspired Vision Compassion Center** 

Legacy

**Meadowbrook Elementary** 

**Metropolitan Dream Center** 

**Midwest Food Bank NFP Arizona Division** 

Oakcrest

**Our Father's Kitchen** 

**Rauche Breath of God Ministries** 

**Refugee Ministries- Azle** 

SER

**Society in Success** 

**Sukkat Shalom** 

**Texas Workforce** 

The Cattleman's Baseball

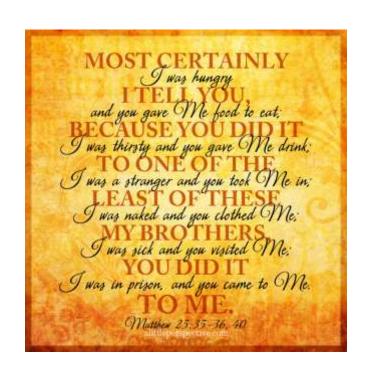
**Victory Little Pantry** 

**Windows of Heaven** 

**WWC Street Ministry** 

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Youthbuild



### **Volunteers**



1512 Volunteers

Volunteer Hours: 26,482

Dollar Value of Hours Worked: \$1,351,098.20

## **Corporate Groups**



American Airlines\*Charles Schwab\*BNSF Railroad
\*Southwest Airlines \*TCU \*Rocketship Schools

### **Our Partners**



More than 81,513 pounds of pet food distributed in .



\$11,992 in Items Distributed



