

# FLORIDA FARM BUREAU FEDERATION FEEDING FLORIDA



## OUR STORY

Feeding Florida, formerly Florida Association of Food Banks, is the state's network of food banks working to solve hunger. The statewide network unites 12 member food banks to provide a healthy, adequate, and consistent food supply to every community each day. Feeding Florida member food banks support more than 2,200 local charitable agencies, which provide food directly to individuals and families in need to ensure a hunger-free Florida. Each year, the Feeding Florida network provides food to the 2.8 million Floridians facing hunger, including over 850,000 children. Feeding Florida is a unified voice regarding hunger and food access by focusing on each community's needs.

Feeding Florida is a Partner State Association of Feeding America, the nation's leading hunger-relief organization.



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# HARVEST FOR ALL



## FLORIDA

The "Fresh from Florida Challenge" was inspired by one of the state YF&R leadership group who liked the 10-gallon milk challenge but wanted to have a positive impact on all Florida commodities. As Florida is in production year round, this ensures that a steady supply of Fresh Florida products are being donated to food banks across the state.

## COMMUNITY

Local Young Farmer & Rancher programs volunteer their time to benefit Florida food banks by participating in "gleaning" projects. Farmers donate unharvested product at the end of the season, but this requires volunteers to "glean" or pick the donated items from the field. This allows fresh produce to be sent to Feeding Florida food banks all across the state.



## SUPPORTING LOCAL

The 10-gallon milk challenge was a national campaign to support American dairy farmers. Florida Young Farmers & Ranchers accepted the challenge all across the state to support Florida's dairy industry. Over 1 million gallons of milk has been donated since the challenge started in 2019.