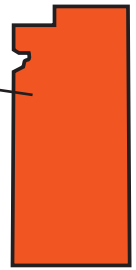
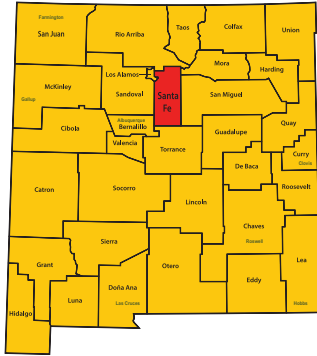


SANTA FE

Population
153,632



Hunger is a Growing Crisis for Families in Northern New Mexico



Hunger by the Numbers for SANTA FE COUNTY

Number of Food Insecure Persons
15,420 total (10%)
4,260 children (15.6%)

Average Cost of Meal – \$4.11

Annual Food Budget Shortfall
\$11,194,000

Population of Santa Fe County –
153,632

Unemployment Rate – 6.2%

People Living in Poverty – 18,396 (12%)

Children Living in Poverty – 3,990
(16%)

SNAP Person Participation – 7,709
(11%)

WIC Person Participation – 2,016 (6%)

Data Sources:

- (1) Hunger - Feeding America Map the Meal Gap
- (2) Poverty - The Annie E. Casey Foundation Kids Count Data Center 2022
- (3) WIC - NM Department of Health 10/2022

(Fact sheet created - January 2024)

What is Food Insecurity?

Food insecurity refers to USDA's measure of lack of access, at times, to enough food for an active, healthy life for all household members and limited or uncertain availability of nutritionally adequate foods. Food-insecure households are not necessarily food insecure all the time. Food insecurity may reflect a household's need to make trade-offs between important basic needs, such as housing or medical bills, and purchasing nutritionally adequate foods.

Hunger by the Numbers...

UNITED STATES

Number of Food Insecure Persons	33,844,000 (10.4%)
Number of Food Insecure Children	9,262,000 (12.8%)
Average Cost of Meal	\$3.59
Annual Food Budget Shortfall	\$21,466,234,000
Population of USA (July 1, 2022 Census)	334,914,895

NEW MEXICO

Number of Food Insecure Persons	285,220 (13.5%)
Number of Food Insecure Children	90,490 (19.2%)
Average Cost of Meal	\$3.35
Annual Food Budget Shortfall	\$168,875,000
Population of NM (July 1, 2021 Census)	2,109,366
People Living in Poverty	364,725 (18%)
Children Living in Poverty	105,030 (24%)

- NM ranks 3rd in poverty of the 50 states
- NM ranks 3rd in childhood poverty of the 50 states

Why are New Mexicans Food Insecure?

The **leading causes of food insecurity** in America cited in order of frequency in studies by the *Food Research and Action Center* are:

1. unemployment
2. underemployment
3. low-paying jobs
4. high housing costs
5. medical or health costs
6. homelessness
7. poverty or lack of income
8. substance abuse
9. mental health problems
10. reduced public benefits
11. child care costs
12. limited life skills

Here is what The Food Depot is doing in Santa Fe County:



IN 2023, THE FOOD DEPOT DISTRIBUTED:

3,503,908 Pounds =

2,919,923 Meals

Partner Agencies

Strong partnerships with independent nonprofits and churches connect The Food Depot to diverse communities and **provide nutritious foods directly to families.**

Partner Agencies in Santa Fe

- Bag n' Hand Pantry - St. John's Methodist Church
- Barrios Unidos
- Bienvenidos Outreach
- Casita de Comida
- Christ Church - Santa Fe
- Christ Lutheran Church
- Fruit of the Spirit Ministries
- Gerard's House
- Garcia Street Club
- Holy Faith - Feed the Hungry
- Institute of American Indian Arts
- Interfaith Community Shelter
- Kitchen Angels
- La Sala Crisis Center
- The Life Link - RISE
- The Life Link - Clubhouse
- Los Amigos del Parque
- Madrid Cultural Projects, Inc.
- Many Mothers
- Midtown Shelter - Consuelo's Place
- Monte Del Sol Charter School
- Our Lady of Guadalupe (Shrine of)
- Saint Elizabeth Men's Shelter
- Saint Elizabeth Shelter - Casa Cerrillos
- Saint Elizabeth Shelter - Casa Familia
- Saint Elizabeth Shelter - Santa Fe Suites
- Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church Food Pantry
- San Isidro Catholic Church
- Santa Cruz United Methodist Church
- Santa Fe Community College Campus Cupboard
- Santa Fe Indigenous Center
- Santa Fe Recovery Center
- SFPS Adelante Program
- Southwest Care Center
- YSFS - Administration
- YSFS - Street Outreach
- YSFS - Transitional Living Program
- YSFS - Youth Emergency Shelter

Diaper Depot

Diaper Depot provides families with a one-week supply of diapers and wipes once a month in sizes ranging from newborn to six. Access to diapers improves the health of babies, reduces parental stress, and gives families the ability to divert household income towards other essential needs.

Diaper Depot Partners

- Adelante - SFPS
- Barrios Unidos
- Capital High School - CIS
- Casa Familia/St Elizabeth's
- Gerard's House
- Many Mothers
- YSFS/Preg Parenting Outreach

Mobile Food Pantries

Mobile Food Pantries provide easy access to groceries to Northern New Mexico's rural towns and villages.

At every Mobile Food Pantry distribution, a truck delivers a variety of healthy foods to a central community location, such as a fire station, community center, or church.



Mobile Food Pantries in Santa Fe

- MFP - San Ildefonso Pueblo

Food 4 Kids School-Based Pantries

Food 4 Kids School-Based Pantries are located within public elementary, middle and high schools, providing easy access to healthy groceries for students and families in a familiar environment.

Food 4 Kids Partners

- Communities in Schools
 - Aspen Community Magnet School
 - Capital High School
 - Cesar Chavez Elementary School
 - Chaparral Elementary School
 - El Camino Real Academy
 - Milagro Middle School
 - Nava Elementary
 - Nina Otero Community School
 - Ortiz Middle School
 - Ramirez Thomas Elementary
 - Salazar Elementary School
 - Sweeney Elementary
- Pojoaque Valley School District
 - Pojoaque Valley Middle School
 - Pojoaque Valley High School
- Santa Fe Public Schools
 - Gonzales Elementary
 - Santa Fe High School

Food 4 Pets

The Food Depot's Food 4 Pets program provides a **supplemental supply of dog and/or cat food to clients who come to Mobile Food Pantry sites each month.**

Food 4 Pets Partner

- Cerrillos Food Mobile



Food Mobile

The Food Mobile is an innovative distribution model that brings fresh produce and pantry staples by choice directly to our local communities in Santa Fe County.

Locations currently include public schools, apartment complexes, senior centers, and parks.

Food Mobile Sites

- Cerrillos
- Kearny Elementary
- La Familia Medical Center
- Pojoaque

- Sangre De Cristo Apartments
- Santa Cruz Housing Authority
- Soleras Station Apartments
- Southside Public Library
- Stage Coach Apartments
- Sweeney Elementary
- Valle Vista
- Villa Hermosa Senior Apartments
- Villa Consuelo Senior Apartments