

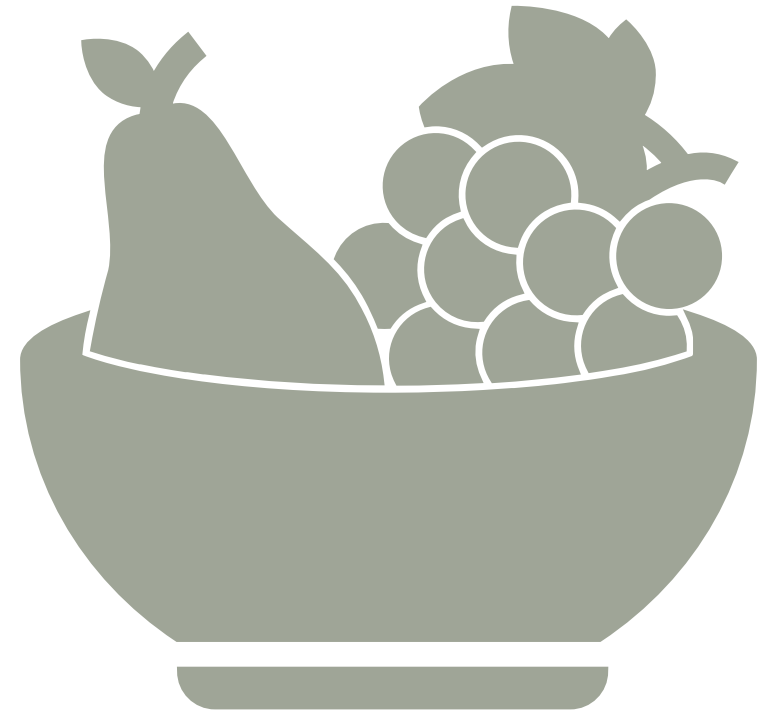


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**FOOD
INSECURITY/FOOD
WASTE/SNAP**



FOOD WASTE

The US throws away over 94 billion pounds of food each year.

29% of all food manufactured in the US is wasted.

Instead of wasting food in our service area, donations from 288 food industry partners: manufacturers, distributors, and grocers provided 47% of all meals distributed in our FY26.



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FOOD INSECURITY

Food insecurity means not having reliable access to nutritious food.

Across River Bend Food Bank's 23 county service area, it's estimated 139,800 people-including 43,150 children experienced food insecurity in 2024.



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SNAP

Iowa HHS: <https://hhs.iowa.gov/assistance-programs/food-assistance/snap>

Illinois IDHS: <https://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=33698>



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