

Case Study:

Manna Food Bank

Sacramento



4340 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento,
CA 95838

Serves 7,500 monthly

Distribution is open every
Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday

Overview

Manna Food Bank is dedicated to alleviating hunger and food insecurity by providing nutritious meals to individuals and families in need. Their team works to build a hunger-free community through partnerships, compassionate support, and sustainable practices that empower those they serve. Together with volunteers, donors, and community partners, Manna Food Bank is committed to ensuring that no one goes without the essential resources they need to thrive. Manna Food Bank additionally uses their resources to ensure that thousands of pounds of food stay out of the waste stream each month.

Program Highlights

Through the assistance of grant funding Manna Food Bank was able to purchase a new walk-in fridge allowing them to increase their operational capacity. Not only has this walk in allowed them to increase the amount of food they recover, they have also been able to drastically reduce both food waste and labor.



Challenges & Solutions

Challenge: Fridge was delivered with a damaged door hinge and scratches to the outside walls

Solution: These issues were addressed and repaired. The walk-in was successfully installed March 1, 2025.

Needs & Recommendations

Manna Food Bank has expressed a need to upgrade other areas of their operations. They hope to buy 100 new shopping carts, obtain a new forklift, buy new gaylords for produce, and pour cement in their parking lot. Manna plans to apply for additional grants to carry out these wishes in order to continually increase their impact within the community.

Photo of Manna Food Bank storing food in new walk-in.



Photo of the installed walk-in.

Data Tracking and Metrics

	POUNDS RECOVERED	FOOD WASTE	Distributions
Month 1	188,667 lbs.	n/a	10
Month 2	137,117 lbs.	n/a	8
Month 3	128,405 lbs.	795 lbs.	8
Month 4	176,448 lbs.	2,270 lbs.	8
Month 5	155,040 lbs.	2,628 lbs.	10
Total:	785, 677 lbs.	5,693 lbs.	44