



# 2024 Impact Report



**Our mission:** Belfast Soup Kitchen provides a safe community where our guests can find food, comfort and hope for the future in an atmosphere of dignity and respect.

## Feeding Families

By addressing immediate hunger needs while connecting families to additional resources, Belfast Soup Kitchen helps create pathways toward long-term stability.

When families achieve food security, they're better positioned to focus on education, employment, and other factors that strengthen their future prospects.

## Strengthening Children

Food insecurity negatively impacts the physical, emotional, and cognitive development of children.

An estimated 1 in 5 children in Waldo County is in danger of having nothing to eat once they leave school each day.

Our work ensures that children have access to nutritious meals and snacks outside of school so they are happy, thriving, and set up for success.

## Nourishing Seniors

Our Home Delivery Program is for our homebound neighbors 55 or older and includes weekly meals that are heart healthy and diabetic friendly.

Over time, this program will help seniors to be more knowledgeable about healthy food and to be empowered to seek healthier options.



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Scan to learn more about our impact in the community



The Belfast Soup Kitchen stands as a vital lifeline for many residents across Waldo County who face food insecurity.

In our rural community, where transportation challenges and economic hardships create barriers to consistent, nutritious meals, Belfast Soup Kitchen serves as more than just a place to eat—we're *a cornerstone of community support*.

# Serving Hope



One in five Waldo County residents is food-insecure

## Ways to Give Hope

### A Matching Donation from You Employer

Many companies offer matching gift programs to encourage employees to make charitable contributions. Ask your employer today.

### Leave A legacy

Through this vital giving option, you'll be creating a legacy while providing you and your family with estate and financial savings.

### Monthly "Sustainer of Hope"

Monthly giving is a sustainable and convenient way to provide ongoing support.

### Honor Someone Special

Honor a relative, friend, or colleague with a gift in their name or In Memoriam. Give in memory of a loved one as a unique way to celebrate their life.

### Stock and Appreciated Assets

Contributing assets owned for longer than one year allows you to receive a charitable deduction equal to their current value and avoid capital gains tax.



14,762

Dining Room Meals Served

36,814



Evening Meals

2,000



Volunteer Hours

14,273



Takeout Meals

200,000

Pounds of Food Donated

38,816



Meals Delivered

Food & Emergency Boxes Delivered



676

Backpack Meals



6,105



Community Market Visits

12,755

Check out our new website



8,154

Waldo County Individuals Served

175,000+

Pounds of Food Purchased

That's 20% of the population in Waldo County





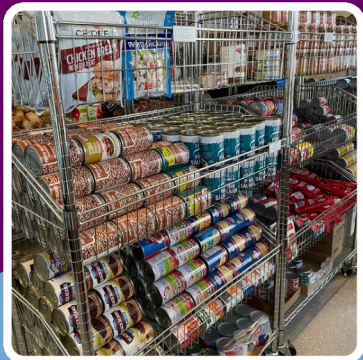
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### 2024 Financials

#### Revenue

Direct Public Support	\$ 340,325
Grants	\$ 61,250
State & Local Funding	\$ 32,032
In-Kind Contributions	\$ 304,862
Dividend/Interest	\$ 13,604

#### Expense

Operating & Program	\$ 664,929
Administrative	\$ 34,676
Fundraising	\$ 25,413
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 725,018</b>

**TOTAL \$752,073**

