



FIRES DISASTER RESPONSE

In response to the fires that first erupted on January 7, 2025 and spread to different areas throughout Los Angeles County, the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank has increased its operations and program activity to respond to people impacted by the fires.

Facilities, Transportation, Staff and Volunteers

- The Food Bank's **distribution centers** in South Los Angeles and City of Industry have continued to operate with no significant constraints.
- **The Food Bank's acquisition in August 2020 of a 256,000 sq.ft. distribution center** in the City of Industry has played a critical role in the Food Bank's response by significantly increasing the Food Bank's refrigerated, frozen and ambient storage capacity, volunteer production areas, and truck loading areas.
- **The Food Bank acquired a new facility in Long Beach** which is serving as a distribution hub location for South Bay agencies, see [Food Bank expands service to South Bay](#)
- **We are recruiting volunteers for on-site volunteer shifts, Food Bank distribution sites and our partner agencies located throughout LA County, for more information, go to: lafoodbank.org/volunteer/**
- The number of Food Bank volunteers has nearly doubled compared to last year to **more than 18,000 people contributing their time** since the fires erupted.

Food Volume and People Served

- **Food and product acquisition have increased by 34% since January 7, 2025 compared to the previous year, totaling 54.5 million pounds of food, water, and non-food items such as personal care items.** The Food Bank has received significant support from donors locally, throughout California and nationally to help in our response to the fires.
- **52 million pounds of food and product, with a value of more than \$83 million, have been distributed since January 7, 2025,** including millions of pounds of ready-to-eat food items, water, and personal care items, to families and individuals through partner agencies, direct "Drive Through" and Mobile Food Pantry distributions, and wildfire resource hubs. Food distribution has increased by 33% compared to the previous year.
- **The Food Bank and its network of partner agencies have reached more than 1 million people throughout Los Angeles County on a monthly basis** since January and expect the demand for food assistance to remain at an elevated level for the next several months.

Food Assistance: For people seeking food assistance go to the Food Bank's food pantry locator at: <https://www.lafoodbank.org/find-food/pantry-locator/>