



THE STATE OF HUNGER

HOUSE DISTRICT 37

IN 2018, BEFORE THE ONSET OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC,

751,920 INCLUDING **269,650**
INDIVIDUALS CHILDREN

IN LOUISIANA EXPERIENCED **FOOD INSECURITY**, MEANING THEY DID NOT ALWAYS KNOW WHERE THEIR NEXT MEAL MIGHT COME FROM OR WHAT IT MIGHT CONSIST OF.

NOW, DUE TO THE EFFECTS OF THE PANDEMIC, THE INCIDENCE OF **FOOD INSECURITY** IS MUCH HIGHER. EARLY DATA PROJECTS **FOOD INSECURITY** TO AFFECT

20.1% AND **32.3%**
INDIVIDUALS CHILDREN
IN LOUISIANA.

POVERTY

8,472 PEOPLE IN DISTRICT 37
LIVE BELOW THE POVERTY
LINE INCLUDING...

22.7% **14.8%** **15.8%**
OF ALL OF ALL OF ALL
CHILDREN SENIORS VETERANS

HOW IS POVERTY DEFINED?

INDIVIDUAL INCOME:

 **\$12,880** / YEAR

HOUSEHOLD OF FOUR INCOME:

 **\$26,500** / YEAR

SNAP

15.4%

OF ALL HOUSEHOLDS IN DISTRICT 37 UTILIZE SNAP
INCLUDING...

63.2% **24.1%** **50.6%**
WITH WITH WITH PEOPLE WITH
CHILDREN SENIORS DISABILITIES

THEY SHOP AT

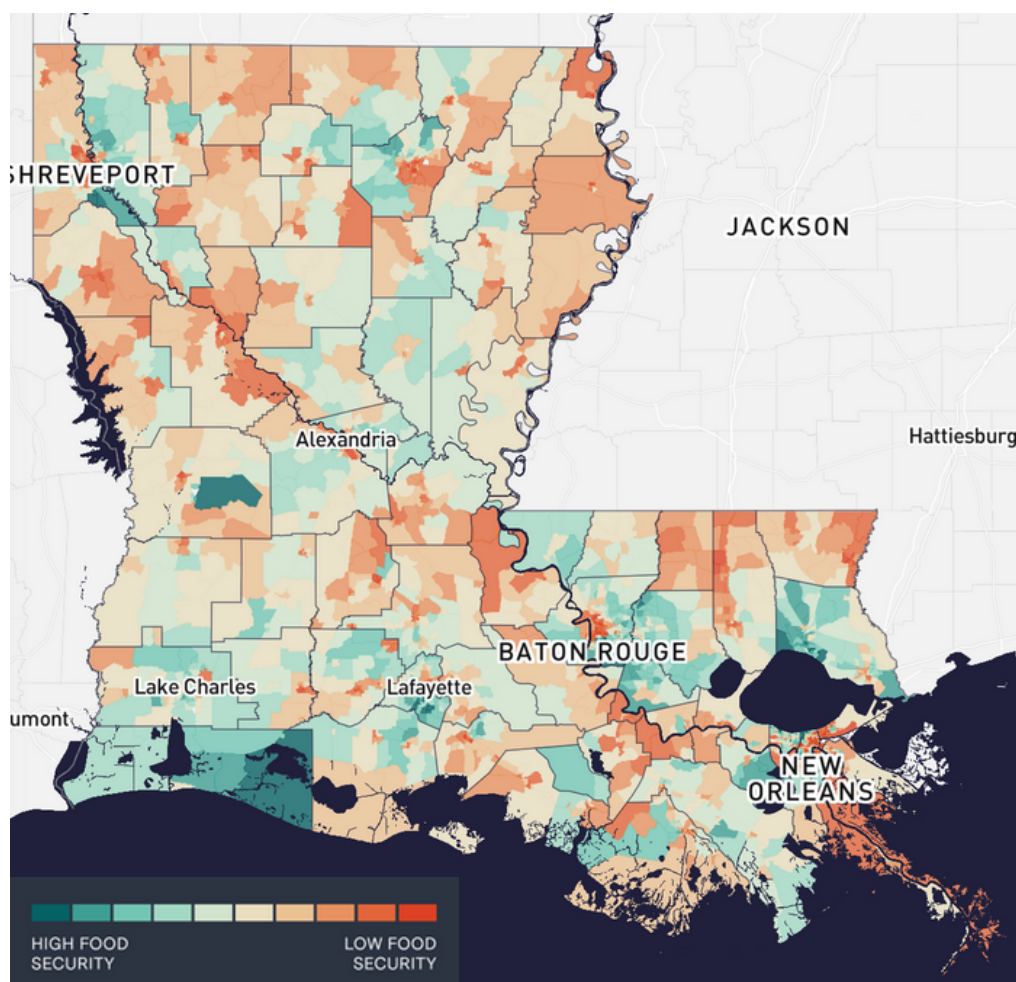
50 RETAILERS

GENERATING APPROX.

\$13,320,506 IN REVENUE



OUR RESPONSE: LOUISIANA



THIS MAP ESTIMATES THE RISK OF FOOD INSECURITY IN COMMUNITIES ACROSS LOUISIANA AS OF FEBRUARY 2021. USING A VARIETY OF DATA POINTS INDICATING ECONOMIC STRESS, SOCIAL VULNERABILITY, FOOD ACCESSIBILITY, AND HEALTH RISK TO CALCULATE NEED, THE DATA CLEARLY DEMONSTRATES THE PERVERSIVE AND LONG-LASTING IMPACT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AROUND OUR STATE.

AS THESE UNPRECEDENTED LEVELS OF FOOD INSECURITY PERSIST IN OUR COMMUNITIES SO DOES THE NEED FOR ASSISTANCE. FEEDING LOUISIANA'S MEMBER FOOD BANKS WORK WITH OVER 900 FAITH- AND COMMUNITY-BASED PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS IN ALL CORNERS OF LOUISIANA TO REACH FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS EXPERIENCING FOOD INSECURITY ON THE GROUND WITH THE RESOURCES THEY NEED TO KEEP FOOD ON THE TABLE.



IN 2019, THE FIVE LOUISIANA FOOD BANKS PROVIDED APPROXIMATELY...

70.3
MILLION LBS OF FOOD

EQUATING TO **58.5**
MILLION MEALS

IN 2020, IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, LOUISIANA FOOD BANKS GREW TO PROVIDE MORE THAN...

115
MILLION LBS OF FOOD

EQUATING TO **95.8**
MILLION MEALS



FEEDING LOUISIANA SERVES AS A UNIFIED VOICE FOR LOUISIANA'S HUNGRY AND OUR FIVE MEMBER FOOD BANKS BY PROVIDING SHORT-TERM FOOD RELIEF WHILE SEEKING LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS TO HUNGER THROUGH ADVOCACY, EDUCATION, AND LEADERSHIP.

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