# **AVOYELLES PARISH**

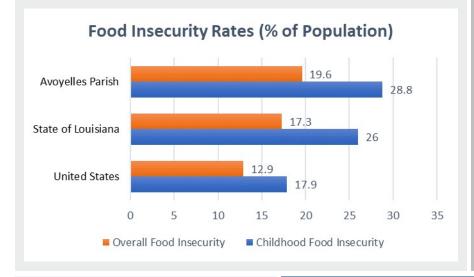
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FOOD BANK OF CENTRAL LOUISIANA



#### **Food Insecurity**

Food insecurity is defined as not having access to enough food for an active, healthy life. Louisiana ranks fourth in the nation for overall food insecurity, and first for food insecurity among children. Avoyelles Parish exceeds Louisiana state averages.



#### **Food Bank Partner Agencies**

These local programs provide groceries and meals to those in need in their communities.

- Abram Temple Church
- Avoyelles Parish Council on Aging
- LifePoint/GracePoint Church
- Mansura Care and Hope Center
- Marksville Ministry Outreach
- Avoyelles Progress Action Committee
- Refuge Baptist Church
- Avoyelles Ward One
- Washington Street Hope Center

**557,929**Meals Provided

### **Feeding Families**



Partner Agency Programs provided 627,317 pounds of food to neighbors through food pantries, meal programs, and community services.

Community Gardens at Early Childhood Development Center, Move Bunkie Forward and New Life Baptist Church provided neighbors training and space to grow their own food.





**SNAP Assistance** helped **19 families** complete & submit applications for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (Food Stamps).

20%

One in five
Avoyelles Parish
residents is
food-insecure

#### **Food Bank Board**

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669,515

Pounds Distributed

### **Strengthening Children**

School Gardens at St. Anthony School and St. Joseph School taught kids how to grow their own produce and enabled them to taste many foods new to them.



## **Nourishing Seniors**



**1,564 50-pound Senior Grocery Boxes** were provided to neighbors aged 65 or older participating in the Senior Program with Food Bank's Partner Agencies.