



# food for thought

Fall 2025

## Nourishing Young Minds All Summer Long

*Kids Cafe Delivers Meals Thanks to Donors Like You and the Landings L9 Golf Association*

When the final school bell rings in May, summer begins—but for thousands of children across Coastal Georgia, so does uncertainty. Without access to school meals, many kids face long days without enough to eat. That's where you—and Kids Cafe—stepped in.

This summer, **thanks to your generous support**, Second Harvest of Coastal Georgia provided more than **183,000 breakfasts and lunches** to children through the **Kids Cafe Summer Feeding Program**. Meals were served at **80 sites across 9 counties**, reaching deep into neighborhoods where the need is greatest. Each meal was a moment of relief, comfort, and nourishment for a child who may otherwise have gone without.

With support from the Landings L9 Golf Association, we were able to purchase a new vehicle to help deliver these meals to **schools, churches, libraries, community centers, and parks**—safe, welcoming places that offered more than

food. These hubs gave kids a space to be kids, and parents peace of mind knowing their children had access to the nutrition they need to grow and thrive. "L9GA is honored to support Kids Cafe and proud to contribute to its mission through this gift", Mary B. Ryan, President L9GA.

**"It means everything to know my kids can eat during the summer without worry,"** one mother shared. **"We're so grateful to everyone who made this possible."**

Your support made this program possible. You helped fuel more than meals—you supported learning, play, health, and hope. Well-fed children return to school ready to focus, ready to succeed, and ready for the future.

As we reflect on the summer, we celebrate you – our donors, volunteers, and partners—for standing with us in the fight against childhood hunger. Together, we're ensuring that no child in Coastal Georgia is left behind.

**Thank you for feeding their summers—and their potential.**



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## HONORING THE JOURNEY

# Embracing the Future.

Dear Friends,

As I reflect on another season of impact and growth here at Second Harvest of Coastal Georgia, I'm filled with gratitude—for you.

Because of your partnership, we've grown from humble beginnings into a regional leader in the fight against hunger. **Together, we've expanded our reach, strengthened our programs, and built lasting solutions** for children, families, and seniors across our 21-county service area.

**This summer, your support helped provide more than 183,000 meals to children** through our Kids Cafe Summer Feeding Program. At 80 sites across 9 counties, kids received not just food, but comfort, stability, and the chance to simply be children. This is the kind of difference you make every day.

You've helped launch new initiatives, supported lasting partnerships, and fueled the mission that drives us forward: **ensuring that no one in Coastal Georgia faces hunger or feels forgotten.** From emergency response to monthly support, your compassion shows up in every meal, every smile, every moment of hope.

**Second Harvest is positioned stronger than ever** to meet the evolving needs of our neighbors. That's because of you—and because of an incredible team committed to serving with heart, integrity, and vision.

We still have work to do. But I know—with your continued support—we'll rise to every challenge. **We'll nourish more children, uplift more families, and build a future where everyone has access to the food they need to thrive.**

Thank you for walking with us on this journey. And thank you for believing in what's possible when we work together.

With a grateful heart,



Mary Jane Crouch  
Executive Director



**JOIN THESE HUNGER HEROES**  
and Take Action Against Hunger





# Do You Know the Difference Between a FOOD BANK and a FOOD PANTRY?



**FOOD BANK =** Second Harvest

We're the hub. We collect, sort and store millions of pounds of food in our warehouses and distribute to local food pantries, partner agencies and feeding programs.



**FOOD PANTRY =** 247 Non-Profit Partners

A place where individuals and families can go to pick up food directly. These are operated by nonprofit partners, churches and community groups.

## WE ARE A FOOD BANK



WE COLLECT, SORT AND STORE MILLIONS OF POUNDS OF FOOD DONATIONS

## THIS IS A FOOD PANTRY



OUR PARTNERS SERVE THE PEOPLE IN THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD THROUGH THEIR PANTRY, SOUP KITCHEN, OR OTHER FEEDING PROGRAM.

GEORGIA



SOUTH CAROLINA

ATLANTIC OCEAN

FLORIDA



## OUR SERVICE AREA 21 COUNTIES

Second Harvest of Coastal Georgia is one of eight regional food banks in the state and part of the Feeding America network of 200 food banks working to end hunger nationwide. We proudly serve 21 counties across coastal and southeast Georgia, covering a diverse and expansive region where food insecurity remains a daily reality for thousands of families.

This map highlights the depth and reach of our service area—from rural communities to urban neighborhoods—all united by a shared need for consistent, nutritious food. Every donation we receive and every hour volunteered directly supports these local communities. Because we only operate within our region, 100% of our resources stay right here in Coastal Georgia, ensuring that help reaches our neighbors—quickly, efficiently, and with dignity.

At Second Harvest, we're not just feeding people—we're strengthening communities. Through strategic partnerships and local engagement, we work every day to ensure that no child goes hungry, no senior is overlooked, and no family faces crisis alone.



# PARTNER OF HOPE

## MONTHLY DONOR



**\$10**

Provides a senior with a monthly bag of groceries



**\$25**

Gives a child milk for a full year



**\$50**

Feeds a child for an entire year



**\$100**

Ensures children receive fresh fruit all year long

Become a **Partner of Hope** and make a lasting difference in the lives of neighbors facing hunger. With a consistent gift, you help ensure that nutritious meals are available all year long—especially when families need it most.

It's one of the easiest and most impactful ways to support Second Harvest and be part of something truly meaningful in our community.



<http://bit.ly/45pBBfa>

## #GIVEHEALTHY™

### BECAUSE HUNGER IS A HEALTH ISSUE

We're excited to introduce #GiveHealthy, a new way to fight hunger with fresh food —no shopping, no collecting, no delivery required.

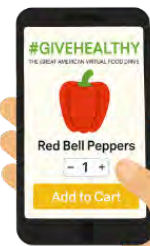
### HOW IT WORKS

- The #GiveHealthy team sets up a unique drive page for each organizer, tailored to their goals
- Organizers share the link or QR code with their network
- Supporters shop the virtual storefront, selecting healthy shelf-stable items or fresh produce to "add to cart"
- All items are sourced from local wholesalers and delivered directly to Second Harvest — at no cost to you or your donors
- Once the drive is complete and the food is received, Second Harvest will provide a donation receipt to the organizer for tax, sustainability, or corporate social responsibility tracking.
- This ensures the food we receive is as fresh as possible — with maximum shelf life and impact.
- Supporters donate through a custom drive link, and the food is delivered to Second Harvest — fresh, fast, and hassle-free

### SEE IT IN ACTION

Watch a short video to see how #GiveHealthy works.  
[www.helpendhunger.org/donate/givehealthy](http://www.helpendhunger.org/donate/givehealthy)

With GiveHealthy, you can donate fresh, healthy food directly to Second Harvest or host your own virtual food drive. It's a simple way to make a big impact in the fight against hunger.



### SCAN QR CODE BELOW







# Chefs' Table

A Benefit for Kids Cafe  
In Memory of Dr. & Mrs. James W. Andrews Jr.

## INDIVIDUAL SPONSORS

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## THANK YOU

We're incredibly grateful for your support and participation in this year's event. Your involvement helps power our ongoing mission to fight childhood hunger across Coastal Georgia.

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**WHAT CHEFS WANT**

## PARTICIPATING RESTAURANTS

CC's Kitchen, Chicken Salad Chick, Common Restaurant, Trombone Bakery, The Lady & Sons, Savannah Candy Kitchen, Savannah Riverboat Cruises, Sweet Tea Factory, Tacos & Tequila, Thrive Catering, Top Floor Cuisines, A Touch of Honey & Chef Roberto Leoci, Zunzibar, and Zunzi's.

# Tour D'Epicure

FOOD • WINE • ART

THANK YOU TO ALL THAT HELPED MAKE TOUR D'EPICURE A SUCCESS

**Eelite**  
SAVANNAH TRAVEL

*Diana Lee Langer Jones*

## PARTICIPATING RESTAURANTS

The Emporium Kitchen & Wine Market, Savannah River House, Common Restaurant, The Fitzroy, Corcoran Austin Hill Realty, Circa 1875 French Bistro, 17 Hundred 90 Inn & Restaurant, Innocent Bystander Winemakers, and Plant Riverside District

## PARTICIPATING ARTISTS

Autumn Gary, Brandon Price, Catherine Jarman, Jared Seff, Kate Dowdle Keiser, Penelope Moore, and Shelley Smith



# SEPTEMBER IS HUNGER ACTION MONTH

WE CAN END HUNGER, WHEN WE ALL WORK TOGETHER

## HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP:

SCAN FOR  
HAM EVENTS



<http://bit.ly/452X6Rz>



GIVE NOW AND  
BECOME A  
**PARTNER OF HOPE**



WEAR **ORANGE** ON  
HUNGER ACTION DAY  
SEPTEMBER 9TH



HOST A FOOD DRIVE  
TO BENEFIT **HUNGER  
ACTION MONTH (HAM)**

We've packed the calendar with local events—giveback nights, discounts, workshops, and more—fighting hunger is easier than ever: just show up! Every event supports Coastal Georgia, so check the full calendar and join us and our retail partners in making a difference.

Support Second Harvest of Coastal Georgia and

## DRIVE AWAY WITH A BRAND NEW EVOLUTION D5 RANGER 4 SEATER GOLF CART

\*All ticket proceeds go directly to our Kids Cafe Program, providing meals to children in need.\*

Generously sponsored by:



<http://bit.ly/4727P1a>

Tickets: \$100 each  
ONLY 200 tickets WILL BE SOLD  
Drawing October 7<sup>th</sup>  
Scan QR code or  
CALL SECOND HARVEST: 912.446.3731

## HURRICANE SEASON

JUNE 1 – NOVEMBER 30

Preparing for hurricane season is crucial to ensuring safety and resilience; Second Harvest and CEMA provide vital resources and updates to help our community stay prepared.

### REGISTER FOR CEMA ALERTS

- Text CEMA to 77295 to register for text alerts or visit [ChathamEmergency.org](http://ChathamEmergency.org) to register for email alerts
- Follow CEMA on Facebook, X, and Instagram for tips and real-time emergency updates.

### PREPARE NOW FOR THREATS

- Create family emergency kits
- Document items with in your home
- Know your evacuation zone

### NEED HELP EVACUATING?

Chatham Area Transit

**Call 1-833-243-7344**

to register for help if you have any medical/access needs