

Thank you for joining us in prayer for our Strategic Partners. Our strategic partners include organizations both locally and globally who are helping people where it hurts through initiatives serving hunger, education, foster care, relief, justice for the oppressed and by taking the gospel to unreached demographics.

Scripture makes it clear that we are to care for those who are in need, especially the most vulnerable members of society, including widows, orphans, and the oppressed. When we feed the hungry, welcome the stranger, clothe the naked and care for the sick, we are serving the Lord whose heart is compassionate towards them.

This prayer guide will introduce you to our strategic partners working in hunger.

HUNGER

In 2022, around 783 million people globally faced food insecurity. As many as 45% of deaths among children under 5 were due to avoidable nutrition-related factors. Hunger is exacerbated by crises, emergency, and catastrophe conditions. (World Vision)

- Pray that world leaders would pursue an end to conflict which perpetuates food insecurity and hunger.
- Pray for governments, businesses and citizens to find just and charitable solutions to the hunger in their nations and communities.
- Pray for life-saving assistance to reach to those who are suffering and face death due to hunger.
- Pray that God would open supply chains and mitigate escalating food prices, bring peace to conflict and reduce the impact of extreme weather events that affect families' and communities' access to food.
- Pray for ideal growing conditions for those around the world growing their own food for survival.
- Pray that children around the world would not go to bed hungry.



COMMUNITY BIG GIVE

An Open Life sponsored collaborative event to feed people in Bonney Lake and the surrounding communities.



Since 2010, the

Community Big Give has brought local businesses, organizations, churches, and volunteers together in demonstration of Jesus' love by providing
Thanksgiving meals to families in our community struggling with food insecurity.

Our goal is to feed the hungry while unifying all local food provision efforts into one collaborative event. This approach eliminates the duplication of services and significantly relieves the burden on our food-serving organizations at a time when food insecurity is felt most keenly.

Since it's beginning,
Community Big Give has
provided over 12,300 meals
to families living across
Sumner, Bonney Lake, and
Buckley, as well as the
outlying communities of
Auburn, Edgewood,
Puyallup, and Orting.

Over 100 participating sponsors and individual donors have contributed over \$400,000 to feed more than 58,000 men, women, and children.



- Pray for continued engagement by and financial provision through existing corporate and church sponsorships.
- Pray for the formation of new sponsor partnerships and that outreach continues to have opportunities to present the Community Big Give in new spaces.
- Pray for the food sourcing efforts to be successful-keeping prices low and supply locally available.
- Pray for the event administration team's efforts to organize ground-crew logistics, delivery routing and distribution of meals.
- Pray that the technology that assists the logistics would remain glitch free and easy to navigate for sponsors, referring organizations, event organizers and volunteers.
- Pray for the volunteer recruitment efforts, specifically for delivery drivers.
- Pray for the ground logistics to be efficient and successful.
- Pray the event is a great time for all who participate.
- Pray for the families who will be recieving meals to feel seen and valued and for the light and presence of Christ to be experienced in a supernatural way.

GOODROOTS NW



GoodRoots Northwest (formerly the Bonney Lake Food Bank) is revolutionizing how communities are addressing food insecurity. Through an innovative climate controlled locker network, they're providing access to fresh, locally sourced food with dignity and convenience. By leveraging modern technology, multi-sector collaboration, and sustainable practices, Goodroots NW is creating systems that are not only effective but also adaptable for the future. This is more than a food distribution network—it's a movement focused on building healthier, more resilient communities. (GoodRoots.org)



- Pray for visionaries who lead the organization to continue to reimagine operations and processes to build a better food system.
- Pray for the staff who execute innovation and growth to serve growing numbers of people.
- Pray for food-distribution networks who work in collaboration with GoodRoots NW to continue to give favor in quality and costs.
- Pray for abundant harvests among food partners and farmers who source fresh, locally grown foods year round.
- Pray for faithful volunteers who grow, pack, bake, pick and deliver food.
- Pray for continued innovation in handling food surplus and waste that would otherwise hit the landfill.
- Pray for the public recipients of GoodRoots NW services to feel the impact of recent systemic changes positively.
- Pray that the love of Christ permeates the organization and all they serve.

CONVOY OF HOPE

A humanitarian, faith-based organization with the goal to serve people who are impoverished, hungry and hurting.



Convoy of Hope has delivered hope through humanitarian aid in more than 130 countries globally. Convoy of Hope's goal is to bring help and hope where they are needed most through a wide network of volunteers and partners around the world. Their work includes children's feeding programs, women's empowerment to strengthen families and end the cycle of poverty, agricultural training and resources, delivering aid and compassion following times of disaster and community engagement alongside local leaders and churches.



- Pray for the children who receive nutritious meals, clean water, and education to also receive a sense of hope.
- Pray for growing food security through the harvests of communities learning skills and receiving tools and seeds to produce live-saving crops.
- Pray for the women who are given opportunity to generate income--that they would develop sustainable resources they can leverage to make strategic and independent life choices.
- Pray for the disaster services team who quickly, effectively and consistently responds to disasters around the US and world.
- Pray every community event Convoy sponsors with free groceries, health services, haircuts and more would strengthen the communities they serve by meeting needs and creating opportunities for collaboration.
- Pray for the rural community leaders who receive resources, training, mentoring and coaching to better address the needs of their communities by implementing solutions that help strengthen and enrich their neighborhoods and towns.