Our Impact

Albury Wodonga FoodShare 2024-2025

750,077kg
Food Sourced



687,979kg Food Donated

123,598kg Food Purchased



741
Donations from the community, schools and local farmers

$5,625,578
Donation Value



135,739kg
Community Pantry



6,358 Community Pantry Vouchers

20,822 People Supported by the Community Pantry



4,292
Supermarket Collections

110 Partner Organisations distributing food relief

70,325km
Distance travelled in vans

150km Albury-Wodonga Radius

164,495
Recycled, farmed and composted from sustainability initiatives

503,922kg
Food Relief

342,263kg left the warehouse



11,212 Meals made locally through funded programs



200
Volunteers

1.1m
Equivalent meals created

393
Crisis Hampers

28,599
Volunteer Hours

10 Local Governments

57 New Volunteers

$1.3m Volunteer Value

Food Insecurity Data

Food insecurity continues to rise across Australia, with regional communities disproportionately impacted by increasing living costs, housing stress and financial hardship.

According to the 2025 Foodbank Hunger Report:

- **1 in 3** Australian households experienced food insecurity in the past 12 months, which equates to over **57,000 people** in FoodShare's NSW catchment
- Many households are skipping meals, reducing food quality or going entire days **without eating** due to financial pressure
- Regional households are experiencing **increasing vulnerability** due to transport, housing and cost-of-living pressures

The SecondBite Food Insecurity Sentiment Survey (YouGov, 2026) identified that:

- **94%** of Australians are concerned about rising living costs
- Food costs are identified as one of the largest household pressures with **62%** highlighting it as their biggest concern

The OzHarvest Frontline Report 2026 identified:

- **70%** of charities reported increased demand for food relief services
- **36%** of people accessing food relief are seeking assistance for the first time
- Food relief organisations are increasingly **stretched beyond capacity**
- For the first time in OzHarvest's history, charities reported turning people away due to **demand exceeding supply**

These national trends are reflected across the Albury, Wagga Wagga, Federation, Greater Hume and Berrigan regions, where local community organisations are experiencing increased demand for emergency relief, community pantry access and low-cost food support.

This project will help address these challenges by increasing regional food availability, improving logistics capability and strengthening collaborative community responses.

Food Waste Data

Food waste continues to represent a major environmental and economic issue across NSW.

According to the Environment Centre NSW Love Food Hate Waste campaign:

- NSW households waste more than **800,000 tonnes** of food annually
- Food waste costs households an estimated **$2.5 billion** each year
- Food waste is a major contributor to landfill methane emissions

Research from EndFoodWaste.com.au highlights that a significant proportion of unsold retail food remains edible and suitable for redistribution.

By rescuing and redistributing surplus food before it enters landfill, the project will deliver measurable environmental benefits while improving access to food for vulnerable households.