

# **Food Acquisition Update**

JULY-OCTOBER 2023



RHODE ISLAND COMMUNITY  
**FOOD BANK**

# **Our new distribution projection is 18 million pounds**

- From July-October we acquired a total of 6.6 million Pounds
- We projected that we would be around 5.5 million Pounds
- During the same time period, we distributed 6 million pounds

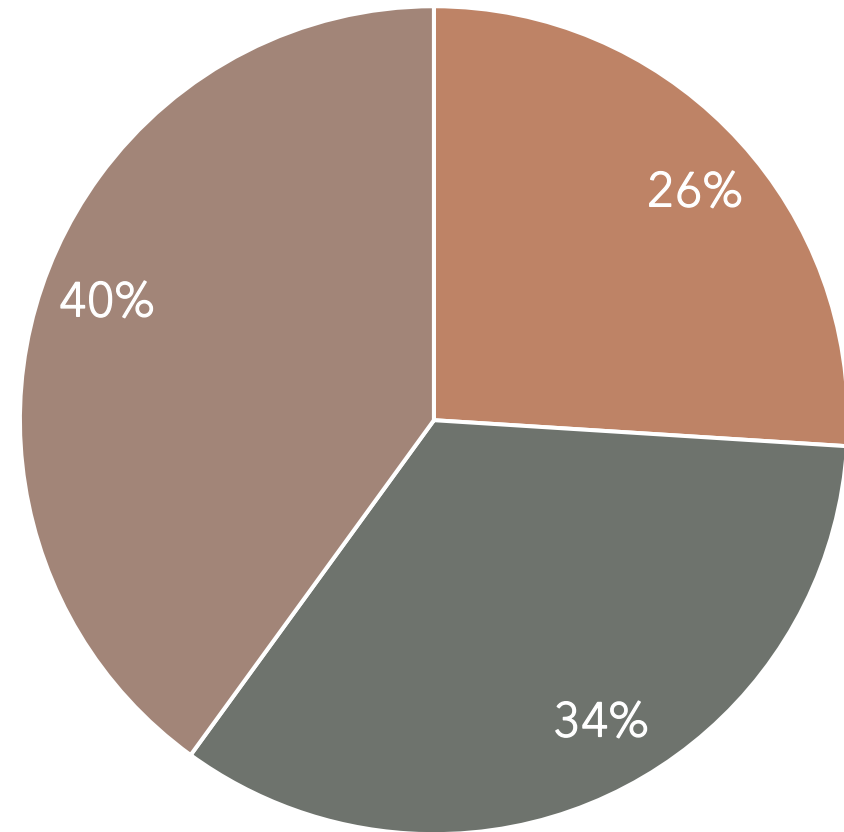


## Food Sources

**Purchased** includes COOP, Kids Boxes, Spice Boxes and To-Go-Bags

**Federal Commodities** includes TEFAP and CSFP (the senior box program)

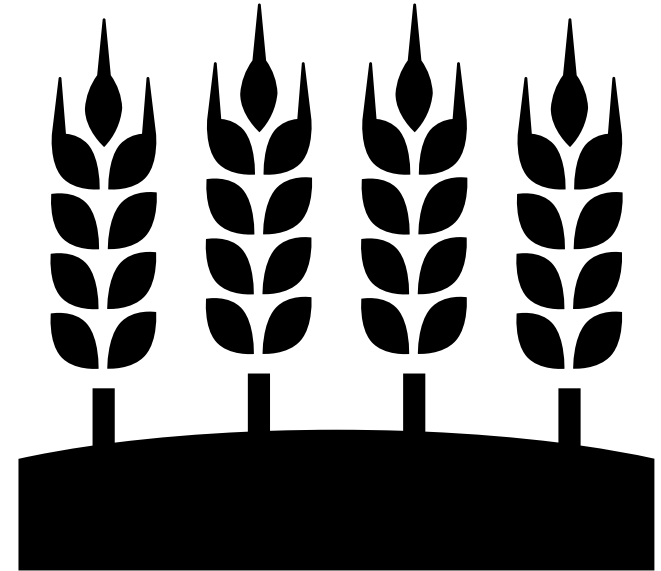
**Donated** includes local and national donations as well as food drives and the retail program



■ Donated    ■ Federal Commodities    ■ Purchased Food

# Donated Food

- 1,729,169 pounds were donated
- Food Drives were 12,358 pounds
- Retail pounds totaled 483,450
- Feeding America pounds totaled 481,484
- Donations were about **26%** of total acquisition



# Federal Commodities

- We received 2,240,144 pounds (TEFAP & CSFP)
- Federal commodities were about **34%** of total acquisition
- Original projection was 3,750,000 for the year
- New projection is over 6 million pounds





# Purchased

- We purchased 2,626,645 pounds
- The total cost was \$2,481,749
- Cost per pound was \$.99 (includes inventory, COOP, To-Go-Bags and kids boxes)
- Purchases were about **40%** of total acquisition



# Culturally Relevant Food

- Total culturally relevant pounds 1,207,724
- Total culturally relevant pounds purchased 1,072,034
- 41% of total purchased pounds were culturally relevant
- Total spent on culturally relevant \$1,225,867
- 49% of the purchased budget was spent on CR food



**88% of the total food was rated** (does not include non-food COOP)

Nutrition ratings are based on sodium, sugar and fat content.

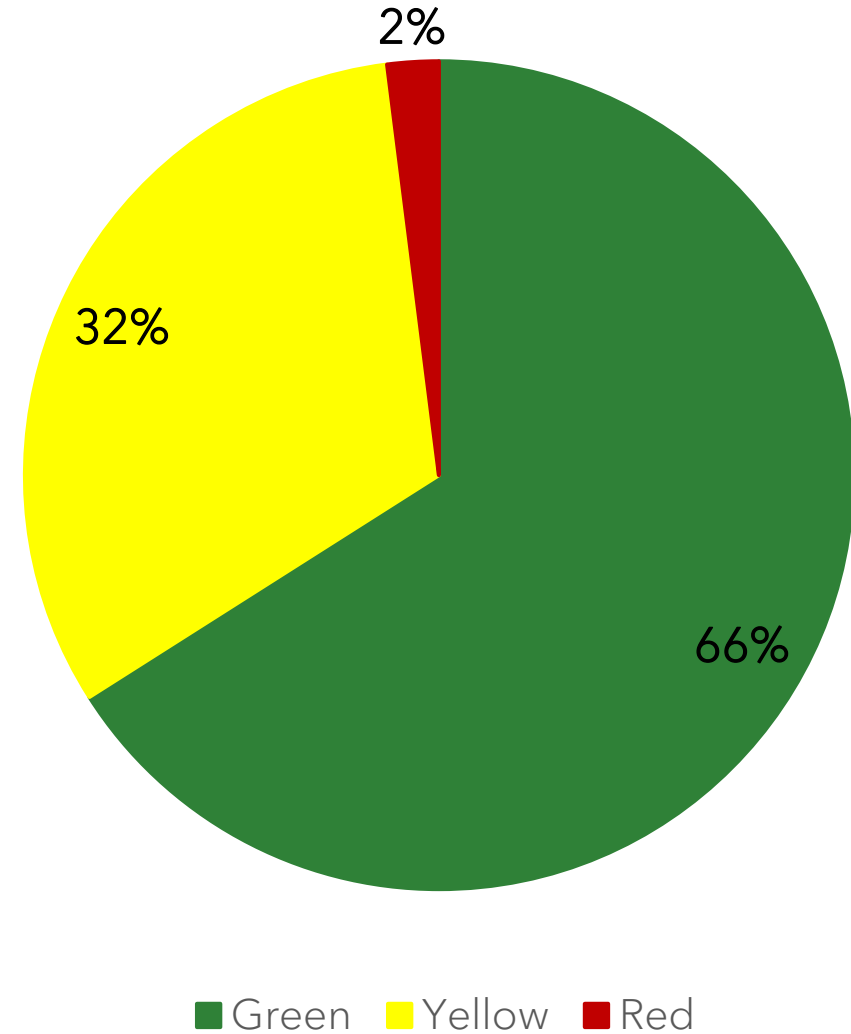
All fresh produce is green!

**Green** Choose Often

**Yellow** Choose Sometimes

**Red** Choose Rarely

## Nutrition Rating





# Biggest Concerns

1. We have seen the numbers of people needing food pantries increase in the past several months – we are over 80,000
2. We have increased our distribution by about 12% over our original projection for the year – we are tracking 18 million
3. Agencies are still needing more food but,
4. Many agencies are/have reached their capacity

