

# NATCHITOCHEES PARISH

IMPACT REPORT FY22: July 1, 2021—June 30, 2022

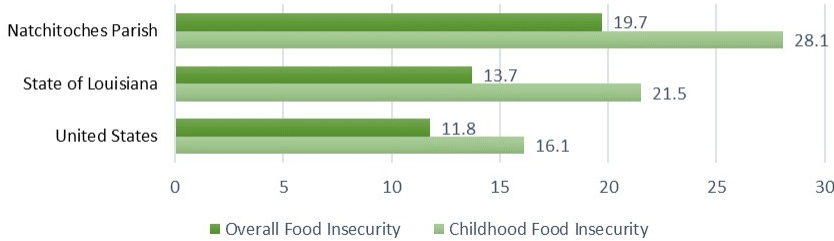
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## Food Insecurity

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. Natchitoches Parish exceeds Louisiana state averages.

Estimated Food Insecurity Rates (% of Population)



## Food Bank Partner Agencies

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

- Cane River Food Pantry
- First Presbyterian Church of Natchitoches
- Natchitoches Food Pantry
- Natchitoches Parish Council on Aging
- Natchitoches Parish Office of Community Services
- Robeline First Baptist Church

**602,988**

Meals Provided

**20%**

One in five  
Natchitoches  
Parish  
residents is  
food-insecure

**723,585**

Pounds Distributed

## Feeding Families



**Mobile Food Pantries** in Campti and Powhatan served families with distributions on the third Thursdays of each month.

**Partner Agency Programs** provided **457,201 pounds** of food to neighbors through food pantries, meal programs, shelters, and community services.



**Three Community Gardens** in Natchitoches Parish provided neighbors training and space to grow their own food.

**SNAP Assistance** helped **40 families** complete & submit applications for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (Food Stamps).



## Nourishing Seniors

**102 fifty-pound Grocery Boxes** were provided to neighbors aged 65 or older participating in the Senior Program.

## Food Bank Board

Lottie Bash	Christina Hathorn	Marie Simpson
Ronny Briley	Tim Holloway	Todd St.Romain
Gary Brown	Kent Lachney	Cornelia Sutton
Brian Couvillon	Krystal Rachal	Kelli West
Joe Gardner	Mandy Scoggin	Robert Willett

## Strengthening Children

**The Backpack Program** at **Fairview Alpha Elementary School** provided meals and snacks for **94 children** to take home on weekends during the school year.



**The School Food Pantry** at Natchitoches Jr. High helped students' families throughout the school year.

**School Gardens** at **three** Natchitoches Parish schools taught kids how to grow their own produce and enabled them to taste many foods new to them.



**1,792 Meals for Kids** were served through June 30 in the Summer Food Service Program at the Boys and Girls Club of Natchitoches.

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