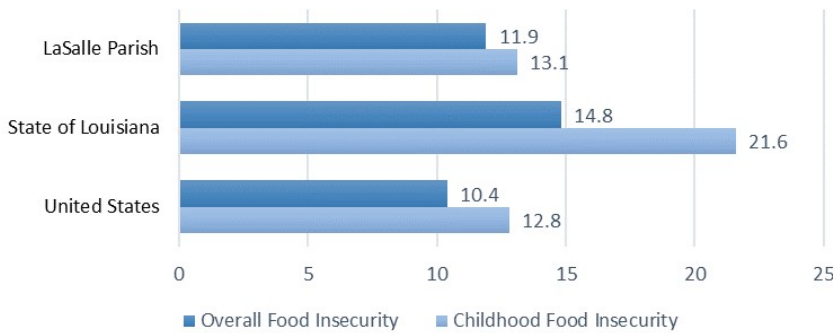




Food Insecurity

Food insecurity is defined as not having access to enough food for an active, healthy life. Louisiana ranks third in the nation for overall food insecurity, and first for food insecurity among children and seniors. LaSalle Parish exceeds national 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.

LaSalle Baptist Ministries

Food Pantry & Meals for Kids

LaSalle Economic Development Dist.

Meals for Kids

Love's Lighthouse Ministries

Food Pantry & Meals for Kids

128,288

Meals Provided

Feeding Families

Partner Agency Programs provided **153,946 pounds** of food to neighbors through their food pantries and meal services.



SNAP Assistance helped **54 families** complete & submit applications for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (Food Stamps).



Nourishing Seniors

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



12%

Nearly one in eight LaSalle Parish residents is food-insecure

Food Bank Board

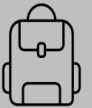
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Ronny Briley	Tim Holloway	Todd St.Romain
Gary Brown	Kent Lachney	Cornelia Sutton
Brian Couvillon	Krystal Rachal	Kelli West
Joe Gardner	Mandy Scoggin	Robert Willett

153,945

Pounds Distributed

Strengthening Children

The Backpack Program at **Olla Elementary School** provided meals and snacks for children to take home on weekends.



School Gardens at **Jena Elementary and Goodpine Middle School** taught kids to grow their own produce and enabled them to try many foods new to them.

Meals for Kids were served at **three partner sites** in the Summer Food Service Program.

