

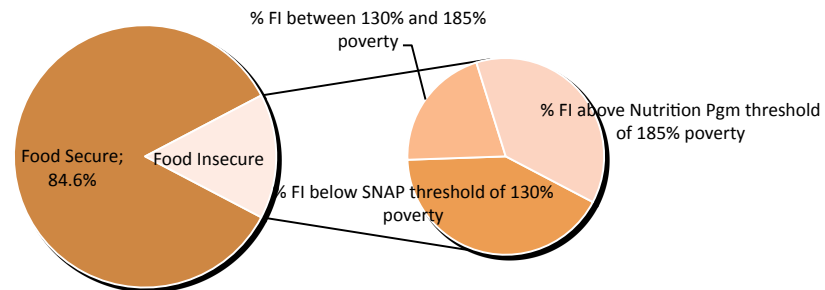
Map the Meal Gap 2009 Service Area Overview

Food Bank Name **Second Harvest Community Food Bank**
Population **341,173**

Food insecurity* rate (2009)	15.4% **
Food insecure residents	52,460

Ratio of cost-of-food in service area to national average [□]	0.951
Annual "Meal Gap" [†]	8,764,607
Cost of an average meal in the service area [‡]	\$ 2.42

Service Area Food Insecurity



*A person is defined as being food insecure if he or she lives in a household experiencing food insecurity. The food insecurity measures here are derived from the measures of food insecurity found in the nationally representative Current Population Survey. Since 1995, those measures have been calculated from responses to a series of questions about conditions and behaviors known to characterize households having difficulty meeting basic food needs. For more details about how food insecurity is calculated, see Nord, M., Andrews, M. & Carlson, S. "Household Food Security in the United States, 2009." U.S. Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service: Washington D.C. 2010.

** Food insecurity rates shown here may differ from the state-level prevalence rates of food insecurity presented in "Household Food Security in the United States, 2009" (ibid.) Among other factors, those rates are three-year average rates for the period 2007-2009; the rates presented above reflect one-year rates for 2009. For more information about these factors, please see the supplemental methodology information on HungerNet.

□Pricing index created from actual cost of food relative to the cost of food in other counties across the U.S.

†Annual "meal gap" represents the following formula:

Annual dollars food insecure persons report needing to meet their food needs in this area / Average cost of a meal for food secure individuals in the U.S.

‡Weighted cost per meal is the national average cost spent on a meal by food secure persons, \$2.54, weighted by the cost of food in the area