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At A Glance

Loaves & Fishes provides a week's worth of nutritious groceries to people in crisis in our community. Since 1975, we have never turned away a hungry person for lack of food.





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Loaves & Fishes History

Loaves & Fishes is a nonprofit organization founded in 1975 by a handful of people in our community who recognized the growing hunger needs of people in our community. In 1975, Loaves & Fishes fed 1,000 people. In 2008, we fed 84,045 people a week's worth of nutritious groceries.

Client Letters

I lost my job after 17 years. My unemployment benefits are exhausted. I lost my health insurance. My house is in foreclosure.

I have zero funds coming in. I'm seeking help and it's hard to find. God Bless Loaves & Fishes.

We lost our main source of income. My hours have been cut and our rent increased. Thanks to Loaves & Fishes for the groceries.

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Facts

- Families and individuals receive a week's worth of nutritious groceries at no cost. They can then prepare meals in their own homes.
- Loaves & Fishes bagging list was developed by a registered dietician.
- People are referred to Loaves & Fishes by human service agencies, clergy, medical providers, and school counselors who see first hand those who struggle in our community.
- Loaves & Fishes keeps costs low (83% program and 17% administrative) thanks to community support. Therefore, most of the donated funds we receive go directly to feed the hungry.
- In 2008, through a network of 18 volunteer-staffed food pantries and only eight paid staff, Loaves & Fishes fed 84,045 people in Mecklenburg County.
- Most of Loaves & Fishes' hungry are not homeless, drug addicts, or lazy. The average Loaves & Fishes' client faces an overwhelming amount of financial burden brought on by an emergency situation.