



FEEDING A LEGACY

OPEN UP A GIFT THAT FEEDS EAST TEXAS.

The mission of the East Texas Food Bank is to fight hunger and feed hope in East Texas. Our vision is a hunger-free East Texas.



1^{OUT OF}4 CHILDREN

in East Texas are food
insecure. They're in our
children's classroom
on sports teams, and
attend church with us.



Setting a table of FULFILLMENT

Since 1988, the East Texas Food Bank has worked to feed our hungry neighbors in East Texas. Headquartered in Tyler, the East Texas Food Bank collects donated and purchased food and distributes the goods to more than 200 partner agencies. These agencies are located throughout the 26-county service area, which spans nearly 20,000 square miles, from Lufkin to Texarkana, and Athens to the Louisiana border. These food pantries, soup kitchens, emergency shelters, and other nonprofits then provide nourishing meals at no cost to the needy.

The East Texas Food Bank makes the absolute most out of their donors' generosity. For every dollar that is donated, up to eight meals are provided to those in need. The collected food is stored in their 75,900 square-foot facility and then much of the food is delivered directly to partner agencies and hunger relief programs.

Along with feeding children, the working poor, and seniors in East Texas, the East Texas Food Bank conducts classes teaching healthy eating and food budgeting, as well as helping individuals sign up for nutrition programs.

The East Texas Food Bank works jointly with larger hunger relief organizations through their memberships with Feeding America and the Texas Food Bank Network. They are also one of four food banks serving the Gulf Coast region that are pre-staged with food products from Feeding America and FEMA to respond to disasters.

Throughout its history, many East Texans have passionately fought alongside the East Texas Food Bank in the fight for a hunger-free East Texas. These East Texans strive to help create a better tomorrow for those in their community and to provide a bright future for generations to come. Now, this vision can become a reality all through the power of legacy gifts.

ESTABLISHING A MEAL PLAN

Legacy gifts, also known as planned giving, can be made through a will or trust and use different types of assets. Just as a person is entitled to an immediate charitable tax deduction after making an outright gift to the East Texas Food Bank, there are numerous benefits to planned giving. If you include the East Texas Food Bank in your will, you may qualify for tax benefits. If you have a life insurance policy that you no longer need, you can transfer that policy as your legacy and receive a tax deduction.

The East Texas Food Bank has established a full menu of planned giving opportunities to help you further your fight against hunger and extend your philanthropic efforts beyond your lifetime. There are many options for planned giving and you may choose the one that best fulfills your desired impact. As with any big decision that has an impact on the future of your good will, it is strongly encouraged that you seek legal and financial council.

Giving Facts

An Outreach that spans nearly 20,000 square miles.

26 Counties



95 cents of every \$1 goes directly to feeding hungry neighbors.





Your legacy will fill many pantries. That's a lot of

CANNED GOOD.

Make your legacy

NON-PERISHABLE

PAYING IT FORWARD

Barbie, Adam, and their three children are an example of how life can take an unexpected turn and leave families in a bind. Their story sheds a light on how the East Texas Food Bank's pantries can help families get by and pave the way for others.

"We were basically living paycheck to paycheck like most families and we were just hit with a problem," said Adam. His wife, Barbie, broke her leg and the family suddenly had to rely only on his income as a high school history teacher. Without the double income, the family was forced to choose between paying the bills and buying groceries.

"We decided to put our faith in God and started using a food pantry. Every week it was just enough," said Adam. It was almost a year until Barbie could go back to work. Since then, they have decided to pay

it forward by donating back. "The conversation came up of where we could give and who could we help. The food pantry kind of just hit us. We now know that's where God wanted us to put our money." It is a lesson of giving back that the family says they will not forget.

GIVING THANKS

The East Texas Food Bank conducts multiple anti-hunger programs, one of them being the Backpack Program. This program provides nutritious meals to low-income children who participate in school meal programs, but face hunger on the weekends. Shaunelius and her family are a great example of how these programs can make all the difference in the lives of those who participate.

"My children get a backpack from the East Texas Food Bank every Friday. That means I know my kids will have something to eat. That's a good thing because at the end of the month, it's tough," said Shaunelius. Her husband is currently unemployed due to a

car accident and she is working a seasonal job that she hopes to turn permanent. "I'm just grateful to even have the opportunity to work, because for years I was sick all the time due to a cyst in my brain. A few years ago I had brain surgery to take care of it," said Shaunelius.

While trying to make ends meet, Shaunelius says that her gratitude towards the East Texas Food Bank is immeasurable. "There have been times when we just didn't have food. But the Lord provided through the East Texas Food Bank so we could have food to feed our children. I can't say thank you enough for all you are doing."



BARBIE, ADAM,
AND FAMILY

SHAUNELIUS
AND CHILDREN

1^{OUT OF}5 ADULTS

in East Texas are food
insecure. They could be
the senior next door,
a colleague, or friend.



Ingredients for
GIVING



1 out of 3
ADULTS 
in East Texas is at-risk of hunger.
They could be your colleagues, friends, or neighbors.

Gifting options to review

For many consecutive years, the East Texas Food Bank has received a 4-star rating by Charity Navigator, America's premier charity evaluator – the highest rating offered by the organization. In addition to their high national rating, the East Texas Food Bank is also accredited by the Better Business Bureau.



	OUTRIGHT GIFT OF CASH	OUTRIGHT GIFT OF SECURITIES	OUTRIGHT GIFT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY	BEQUEST IN WILL OR REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST	GIFT OF LIFE INSURANCE	GIFT OF RETIREMENT ASSETS	GIFT OF REAL ESTATE	RETAINED LIFE ESTATE	CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST	CHARITABLE LEAD TRUST
YOUR GOAL	Make a quick and easy gift that's put to use immediately.	Reduce capital gains tax on appreciated securities.	Give special collection or other personal item.	Defer a gift until after your lifetime and retain the right to modify your decision.	Leverage contributed dollars into a significantly larger gift.	Avoid twofold taxation on IRAs and other employee benefit plans.	Make a gift of an asset that is no longer needed.	Give your residence, vacation home, or any other estate property and continue to live there for your lifetime.	Secure a steady income now and support charitable endeavors after your lifetime. <i>(Minimums may apply).</i>	Support charitable endeavors now, while reducing gift and estate taxes on assets you might wish to pass to family.
HOW	Write a check payable to the East Texas Food Bank or make a gift online at EastTexasFoodBank.org.	Contribute stock or other securities that you've owned for more than a year that are worth more than initial cost.	Donate tangible personal property used for our tax-exempt function.	Name the East Texas Food Bank in will or trust. Designate a specific amount, percentage, or share.	Make the East Texas Food Bank the owner and beneficiary of a new or existing insurance policy.	Name the East Texas Food Bank as the beneficiary of the remainder of the assets after your lifetime.	Donate the property or sell it to the East Texas Food Bank at a bargain price.	Deed ownership to the East Texas Food Bank.	Create a trust that pays a fixed percentage or dollar amount of the trust's assets each year.	Create a trust that pays a fixed or variable income to the East Texas Food Bank for a specified term of years.
YOUR BENEFITS	*Immediate income tax deduction each year a gift is made.	*Immediate income tax deductions of full fair market value. *Avoid capital gains tax.	*Immediately eligible for a charitable tax deduction of the fair market value or cost basis.	*The donation will be exempt from federal estate tax.	*Current tax deduction for premiums paid. *Make a larger gift after your lifetime than you could have made otherwise.	*Make a gift from your most highly-taxed assets, leaving more for your family. *Income and estate tax benefits.	*Immediate tax deduction and ability to reduce the size of estate during your lifetime.	*Immediate tax deduction *Ability to reduce the size of your estate while keeping occupancy.	*Receive variable income for life. *Immediate income tax deductions.	*Reduces your taxable estate. *Property kept by your family, often with reduced gift taxes.

*This information is not to be considered investment, legal, accounting, tax, or other professional advice.



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Feeding Hope Legacy Society
Planned Giving Commitment Form

In recognition of my/our strong commitment to leave a legacy and provide healthy meals to future generations, I/we have included the East Texas Food Bank in my/our estate plan.

Name(s): _____ Date: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

____ Please include me/us in the East Texas Food Bank's Legacy Society and recognize me/us as:

____ I/we wish to remain anonymous.

Please Indicate Your Planned Gift Below: (optional)

____ Will ____ Revocable Trust ____ Life Insurance Policy Beneficiary
____ Retirement Plan Beneficiary ____ Other Trust ____ Other

This Gift Is: (optional)

____ The following percentage of the residuary of my estate, trust, life insurance policy, or retirement plan: _____%

____ A specific amount: \$ _____ ____ A gift of a specific asset _____

Please add any other details your wish to share: _____

All information provided will be kept in the strictest confidence and will be used for internal planning purposes only.

Purpose of the Planned Gift to the East Texas Food Bank

____ Unrestricted gift to provide maximum flexibility supporting the mission of the East Texas Food Bank.

____ I have a specific purpose in mind that I would like to discuss. Please contact me.

Signature(s): _____ Date: _____

Please complete and return to Jennifer Yoder at the East Texas Food Bank. Completion of this form is not intended to be legally binding, but notification of intent. Please discuss your planned giving intentions with your estate planning advisors. The East Texas Food Bank is a tax-exempt nonprofit organization recognized by section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions are deductible as allowed by law.



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