

## FEEDING OUR FUTURE FOR MUSKEGON CHILDREN COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS

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Kids' Food Basket





a campaign for Muskegon Children Every day, Kids' Food Basket helps thousands of children thrive by meeting a critical need: the nourishment of an evening meal made with love.

Good food has the power to shape lives. Currently, that power is limited by our capacity.

#### A space to grow!

Over the past 12 years, Kids' Food Basket has expanded its impact in Muskegon County, nourishing children with more than 2,000 evening meals every weekday. In Muskegon County, approximately 62% of the total student population qualifies for free and reduced lunch based on household income.\* Of those who qualify, only 12.6% receive Sack Suppers.

To better meet the needs of the community, we acquired a dynamic facility in the core of Muskegon County, which will allow us to expand to:

- Serve more meals. Programmatic dollars included in our expansion campaign will allow us to serve additional schools over time.
- **Enable learning.** We will have a centralized facility to host activities that empower community learning focused on nutrition and agriculture to foster lifelong health.
- Engage our community. Additionally, we will be able to expand our volunteer opportunities for community members and youth advocates who are eager to share their time and talents.
- Ensure long-term sustainability. This campaign
  provides the lasting flexibility needed to continue
  expanding our services. By putting down roots with
  room to grow, we can nourish children to reach their
  full potential.

# **Secure success for more Muskegon kids!**

The \$3.3 million goal of the Feeding Our Future for Muskegon Children capital campaign ensures a future where all children have the nourishment they need for lifelong health and unlimited potential.

Your investment will have an immediate impact on the lives of children in our community. Please join Kids' Food Basket's board of directors, staff and community champions as we collectively work toward realizing a hunger-free Muskegon for all.

By making a gift today, you help to empower a future generation of healthy West Michigan children!



Since launching the Feeding Our Future for Muskegon Children capital campaign in 2021, we have expanded healthy food access in Muskegon County and are grateful to have a lasting home for our mission.

For more information, visit kidsfoodbasket.org/mk-feeding-our-future

### The impact.

"The expansion of Kids' Food Basket is vital to our local community.

This expansion enhances the reach and efficiency of KFB operations, ensuring a broader impact in alleviating food insecurity and promoting the health and development of vulnerable youth."

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\*Source: 2024 MI School Data