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SISTERS ROAD TO FREEDOM, INC.

2025 MORE THAN A PANTRY IMPACT REPORT

Nourishing Families. Empowering Communities. Creating Hope.

MISSION: Sisters Road To Freedom, Inc. is committed to addressing food insecurity, strengthening families, and improving quality of life through compassionate service, community partnerships, and programs that empower individuals and families to thrive.

In 2025, Sisters Road To Freedom continued to serve as a trusted community resource for families facing food insecurity and economic hardship throughout Lexington, Kentucky. We understand that hunger is often connected to larger challenges facing families. More Than A Pantry is designed not only to provide food but also to support education, child development, family engagement, and overall well-being.

Through strategic partnerships and responsive programming, we worked to ensure that families received the resources they needed to move forward with confidence and hope.

While food assistance remains a cornerstone of our work, our impact extends far beyond pantry services. Through youth enrichment programs, holiday assistance initiatives, educational support, and community partnerships, we provided opportunities that helped families build stability, maintain dignity, and create brighter futures.

More Than a Pantry reflects our commitment to meeting immediate needs while investing in long-term community well-being.

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2025 IMPACT AT A GLANCE

10, 694 Individuals Served

Providing food assistance and supportive services to children, adults, and seniors throughout the year.

2,687 Households Served

Helping families access nutritious food and essential resources.

422 New Households Served

Welcoming new families seeking assistance and support.

1,500 New Individuals Served

Expanding our reach and connecting more community members with vital services.

35 Average New Households Served Each Month

Demonstrating the ongoing need for food security resources and community support.

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HUNGER RELIEF GRANT

With support from the Lexington Black Prosperity Initiative and the Thomson R. Bryant, Jr. and Betty R. Bryant Fund at Blue Grass Community Foundation, Sisters Road To Freedom provided critical holiday food assistance to families experiencing food insecurity.

Thanksgiving Assistance

- 47 Thanksgiving Food Boxes Distributed
- 45 Thanksgiving Turkeys Distributed
- 10 Thanksgiving Gift Cards Distributed

Christmas Assistance

- 43 Christmas Food Bags Distributed
- 39 Christmas Gift Cards Distributed

Gift cards provided families with flexibility to purchase foods that met dietary, cultural, and religious needs while preserving dignity and choice.

To maximize the impact of grant funding, remaining funds were invested in pantry inventory to offset inadequate food deliveries and ensure uninterrupted service between January to March 2026.

CHRISTMAS TOY STORE

Bringing Joy to Children and Families

The Christmas Toy Store Program provided children and teens with an opportunity to experience the excitement of selecting gifts during the holiday season while easing financial burdens on parents and caregivers.

Program Impact

85 Children and Teens Served

Participants selected holiday gifts and received educational and board games that promoted:

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- Learning and academic growth
- Creativity and problem-solving
- Positive family interaction
- Social development and engagement

By combining holiday assistance with educational resources, the program created lasting benefits that extended well beyond the holiday season.

BACK TO SCHOOL FOR SUCCESS RESOURCE FAIR

Preparing Students for Success

Educational success begins with access to the tools students need to learn and thrive. Through the Back To School For Success Resource Fair, Sisters Road To Freedom helped local families prepare for the school year by providing essential educational supplies.

Program Impact

47 School Children Served

Students received:

- New backpacks
- Essential school supplies
- Resources supporting academic readiness
- Encouragement and community support

For many families, school-related expenses create financial strain. By providing these critical resources, Sisters Road To Freedom helped ensure students entered the classroom prepared, confident, and ready to succeed.

Investing in Future Success

The Back To School For Success Resource Fair reflects our commitment to supporting educational achievement as part of a comprehensive approach to strengthening families and improving long-term outcomes for children.

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BUILDING COMMUNITY THROUGH PARTNERSHIP

Our work is made possible through collaboration with community organizations, funders, volunteers, donors, and advocates who share our commitment to creating a stronger Lexington.

We gratefully acknowledge the support of:

- Lexington Black Prosperity Initiative
- Thomson R. Bryant, Jr. and Betty R. Bryant Fund
- Blue Grass Community Foundation
- Community donors
- Dedicated volunteers
- Local businesses and faith-based partners

Together, we are expanding access to food, resources, and opportunities for families throughout our community.

THE IMPACT BEHIND THE NUMBERS

Every household that was served represents a family seeking stability.

Every child supported represents a future filled with potential.

Every food box distributed represents nourishment, dignity, and hope.

Every new client represents trust placed in Sisters Road To Freedom during a challenging time.

While our numbers tell an important story, the true impact lies in the lives changed, the burdens eased, and the opportunities created for families throughout Lexington.

That is why Sisters Road To Freedom is More Than a Pantry.

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LOOKING AHEAD TO 2026

As we continue to grow, Sisters Road To Freedom remains committed to:

- Expanding access to nutritious food
- Strengthening support for children and youth
- Increasing educational and family-focused programming
- Enhancing holiday assistance initiatives
- Building new community partnerships
- Responding to emerging needs with compassion and innovation

Together, we will continue creating pathways to stability, opportunity, and hope.

THANK YOU

To our donors, volunteers, partners, funders, and supporters:

Thank you for helping us nourish families, strengthen communities, and create lasting impact.

Because of your support, thousands of individuals and families received assistance, encouragement, and opportunities to thrive throughout 2025.

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