



JFCS Jewish Family and Children's
Service of Minnesota

Food Security

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impact report

The JFCS food security program helps address both emergency and long-term food assistance needs in the local community. The program supports clients across the agency through collaboration with JFCS colleagues, community members and partner organizations. This includes distributing emergency food boxes, assisting with SNAP applications, connecting people to additional food resources, advocacy efforts to decrease food insecurity, and a partnership with PRISM Food Shelf.

In 2025,

- > Distributed **200 emergency food boxes** to clients and community members
- > Through our partnership with PRISM, we distributed **292 free bags of produce**,



during the summer, including 219 of which were delivered to households facing transportation barriers

- > Delivered **152 PRISM food shelf packages** to households with transportation barriers



Highlights



- > Expanded emergency food box offerings to better serve diverse communities by increasing **culturally relevant options** and items for specialized dietary needs that are often more costly and harder to access elsewhere
- > Temporarily Increased support in 2026 for individuals and families in need by offering **essential household items** (e.g., toilet paper, soap, and other basic necessities) to accompany emergency food boxes
- > Emergency **food box distribution increased 87%** from 2024 to 2025 (107 to 200 boxes), and 200 boxes have already been distributed in the first quarter of 2026, reflecting continued demand and expanded program reach

