

# THE HUNGER INDEX FORUM Community Groups

Agency	Website	Telephone	Category	Geographic Reach	Description
Area Agency on Aging, Sonoma County Department of Human Services	<a href="http://www.socoaaa.org">http://www.socoaaa.org</a>	(707)565-5950	County Program	Sonoma County	The Sonoma County Area Agency on Aging plans, develops and advocates for older adult services. Funded primarily by federal Older Americans Act funding, AAA contracts with community partners for the provision of senior nutrition programs, adult day, caregiver support, legal services, transportation, case management, health insurance counselling, long term care ombudsman and health promotion services.
CalFresh Outreach Program, Redwood Community Health	<a href="http://www.rhc.net">www.rhc.net</a>	(707)285-2980	Federal Program	Sonoma County	The CalFresh Outreach Program at Redwood Community Health Coalition and our partners assist community members in applying for CalFresh. Annually, we help approximately 4,000 households with their CalFresh Applications, and in Sonoma County, our services are located at different 10 sites.
CalFresh Outreach, Sonoma County Department of Human Services	<a href="http://www.sonomacalfrsh.org/">http://www.sonomacalfrsh.org/</a>	(707)565-6165	Federal Program	Sonoma County	Our goal is to protect and improve the well-being of the individuals and families who reside in Sonoma County – especially those who cannot protect themselves. Every month hundreds of families turn to the Sonoma County Human Services Department for assistance in the form of CalFresh benefits to help feed their families.
Ceres Community Project	<a href="http://www.ceresproject.org">www.ceresproject.org</a>	(707)829-5833	Nutrition Education, Meal Service, Youth	Sebastopol, Sonoma, Marin	Ceres Community Project provides over 90,000 nourishing organic meals annually to families with illness, all prepared by youth gardeners and chefs volunteering in our three kitchens in Sebastopol, Sonoma and San Rafael.
Community Garden Network	<a href="http://www.communitygardensonoma.org/">http://www.communitygardensonoma.org/</a>	(707)544-6911 x1009	Community Gardens	Sonoma County	The Community Garden Network of Sonoma County (CGN) promotes healthy food access by supporting community gardens throughout the county. We provide resources, training, outreach, and education to community gardens, groups seeking to create new community gardens, and the public. CGN is a program of Community Action Partnership of Sonoma County.
Council on Aging	<a href="http://www.councilonaging.com/">http://www.councilonaging.com/</a>	(707)525-0143	Meal Service	Sonoma County minus South County	The Council on Aging's mission is to enhance the quality of life for our aging community by providing services that promote well-being and maintain independence, we do so through sixteen programs and services including Meals on Wheels.
F.I.S.H. of Santa Rosa	<a href="http://www.fish-of-santa-rosa.org/">http://www.fish-of-santa-rosa.org/</a>	(707)527-5151	Emergency Food Local pantry	Santa Rosa	F.I.S.H. of Santa Rosa is an independent, all-volunteer free food pantry that has been serving Sonoma County since 1973. We serve those needing free food 6 days a week and currently help feed more than 5,000 folks a month.
Farm to Pantry	<a href="http://farmtopantry.org/">http://farmtopantry.org/</a>	gleaning@farmtopantry.org	Gleaning organizations	North County based in Healdsburg	Farm to Pantry is a volunteer based organization founded on the belief that healthy food nurtures a healthy community. We connect abundant fruits and vegetables to our neighbors in need primarily through gleaning -- or rescuing surplus produce before it goes to waste.
Food for Thought	<a href="http://fftfoodbank.org/">http://fftfoodbank.org/</a>	(707)887-1647	Local pantry, Meal Service	County wide, based in Forestville	Food For Thought's mission is to nourish and serve our community by providing healthy food and compassion to people living with HIV/AIDS and other critical illnesses. We serve 700 men, women, and children in Sonoma County who are affected by HIV/AIDS and other illnesses with weekly groceries, vitamins and supplements, nutrition counseling, and other nutrition services.

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Interfaith Sustainable Food Collaborative	<a href="http://www.interfaithfood.org/">http://www.interfaithfood.org/</a>	(707)634-4672	Faith Based Groups	Sonoma and Marin County	The Interfaith Sustainable Food Collaborative's Mission is: To advance the production of and access to healthy food produced in a sustainable, socially just manner by empowering faith communities with models and resources to impact local food systems and advance public policy.
NOAH		(707)953-8261	Emergency Food/Local Pantry	Rohnert Park, Cotati, Penngrove	NOAH (neighbors organized against hunger) was established in 2005. It consists of 4 church congregations and 2 Rotary groups. They serve clients in Rohnert Park, Cotati and Penngrove and average 200 individuals per week.
Petaluma Bounty, PPSC	<a href="http://www.petalumabounty.org">www.petalumabounty.org</a>	(707)364-9118	Gleaning, Farm, CalFresh	South County, based in Petaluma	Petaluma Bounty's mission is to co-create a thriving local food system with healthy food for everyone through collaboration, education and promoting self-reliance. Core programs include Local Food Access Incentive including the Bounty Farmacy and Farmers' Market L.I.F.E., Bounty Hunters Gleaning Program, the Bounty Community Farm, Connecting community to resources, and promoting gardening through community gardens and skill building.
Promotores de Salud, Northern CA Center for Well-Being	<a href="http://www.norcalwellbeing.org/advocacy.php">http://www.norcalwellbeing.org/advocacy.php</a>	(707)575-6043 x18	Health and Nutrition Education	Sonoma County	The Center for Well-Being promotes the well-being of the whole person by empowering people with the knowledge, skills and spirit to take responsibility for personal, family and community health. Center staff work with people with chronic disease and their families, in small, multi-session groups to inform, motivate and support people toward better self-care.
Redwood Empire Food Bank	<a href="http://www.refb.org/">www.refb.org/</a>	(707)523-7900	Emergency Food/Food Service	Sonoma County	Serving Sonoma County since 1987, the Redwood Empire Food Bank has grown to serve every area of the county. We have developed three major hunger initiatives to provide low-income children, seniors and families nutritious food- Every Child, Every Day; Senior Security; Neighborhood Hunger Network.
Senior Services, PPSC	<a href="http://www.petalumapeople.org">www.petalumapeople.org</a>	(707)765-8488	Meal Service for Seniors	South County, based in Petaluma	Meals on Wheels and Congregate Meal programs, are an important part of our varied safety net of senior services intended to assist older adults with aging well in-place, at home, with dignity, independence, and increased well-being.
Society of St. Vincent de Paul, District Council of Sonoma County	<a href="http://www.svdpsonoma.org">www.svdpsonoma.org</a>	(707)584-1579	Free Dining Room, Food Pantries	Sonoma County	SVdP offers a free hot nutritious lunch 365 days a year at the Dining Room. Our help line refers people to one of our neighborhood food pantries M-F.
Sonoma County Food Runners	<a href="https://foodrunnerssonomacounty.wordpress.com/about/">https://foodrunnerssonomacounty.wordpress.com/about/</a>	(707)596-8711	Gleaning Organizations	Santa Rosa	Inspired by Food Runners San Francisco, Food Runners Sonoma County coordinates volunteers to pick up surplus food from events, farms, and restaurants and deliver immediately to existing nonprofits providing food for the hungry.
VOICES	<a href="http://www.voicesyouthcenter.org/">http://www.voicesyouthcenter.org/</a>	(707)228-3480	Youth Advocacy	County wide, based in Santa Rosa	VOICES brings together more than 40 partnering agencies to provide housing, education, employment and wellness services to transitioning youth, ages 16-24. Created and run by former foster youth, VOICES is the first national organization