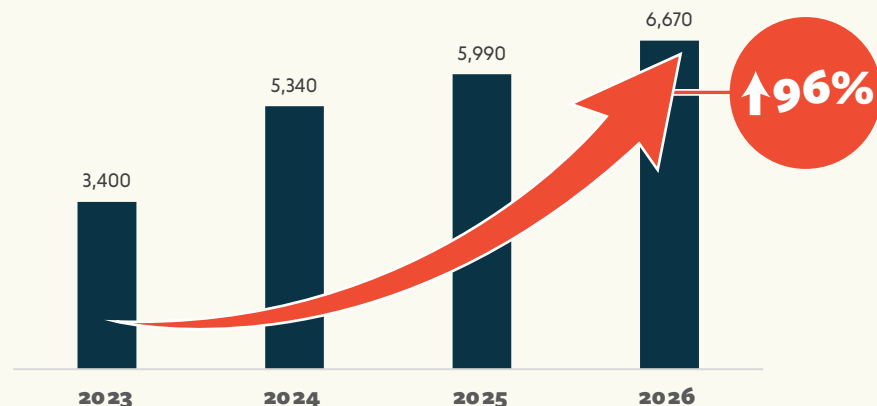


HUNGER IN COLUMBIA COUNTY

1 in every 9 people are considered food insecure.¹



Since 2023, the number of people experiencing food insecurity in Columbia County has increased by **96%**, driven by rising food, housing, and utility costs, the end of pandemic-era assistance programs, and ongoing economic pressures. As a result, food banks are seeing unprecedented demand, with more people turning to hunger-relief services and needing support more often.

OUR SUPPORT IN COLUMBIA COUNTY

16 partners and programs.

Over **26,000** visits made by local families to food pantries, mobile pantries, and school markets.

Over **754,000 lbs** of food distributed in FY2026*.

* July 2025 - June 2026

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¹ Source is Feeding America's Map the Meal Gap research, comparing 2024 estimates (released May of 2026) to 2023 estimates.

² The estimated additional amount all individuals experiencing food insecurity need in your community to purchase just enough food to meet their food needs.