

By partnering with the **State of Michigan** and the **Food Bank Council of Michigan**, Meijer will secure and deliver millions of dollars' worth of groceries to food banks across the state as need continues to surge amidst the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Meijer is very pleased to be able to partner with the State of Michigan on this important initiative," said Rick Keyes, Meijer President & CEO. "Feeding the hungry is our [primary philanthropic mission](#) in the communities we serve, so our teams and vendors moved quickly when presented with the opportunity to help feed more Michigan families during a time of such critical need."

Food is at the heart of what we do at Meijer, so we're happy to be able to leverage our relationships with vendors and the **Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development** to serve our communities when they need it. Through this partnership, we've already delivered \$1.6 million in food, such as canned vegetables and fruit, pasta, hot and cold cereal, and protein products like canned salmon, peanut butter and canned beans to food banks in need. We plan to deliver an additional \$2 million in food early this month.

"This amazing partnership means less Michiganders will go without food during this already incredibly stressful time," said Dr. Phil Knight, Executive Director of the [Food Bank Council](#). "The need is massive, but the unwavering commitment to create food security remains steadfast."

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