



*...seeking to alleviate hunger through the full use of donated food and other resources*

**Community Harvest Food Bank  
of Northeast Indiana, Inc.**

**2009-2010 ANNUAL REPORT**





Dear Friends,

As we close the books on this past year I can confidently say that I'm thankful it's over! I am also thankful we were successful. I'm thankful my staff is as wonderful as it is. I'm thankful for such an engaged board of directors. I'm thankful for generous corporations, foundations and individuals in north-east Indiana who partner with us. And, most of all, I'm thankful that 90,000 people in northeast Indiana were helped with emergency food assistance last year by Community Harvest and its network of 470 member agencies. Yes, I'm thankful to live and work in a community where helping your neighbor is standard operating procedure.

The highlight of the year in my book was the release of the latest hunger study that we participate in every four years with our national organization, Feeding America. While I wasn't surprised with the numbers, it still took my breath away to realize that we set the table for 21,100 unduplicated people in our nine county service area every week. Yes, that's a lot of mouths to feed. But, we're doing it and I'm proud to say we're doing it very well. We distribute more pounds per person in poverty than any other food bank in the state. That's a testament to this community, our partners, and the great foundation that was laid back in 1983 by the founding fathers of Community Harvest when the country and northeast Indiana found itself in a similar economic situation.

So, as we stop ever so briefly to celebrate another successful fiscal year, we want to take the opportunity to thank you for all your help. Because there are lots of folks counting on us and we couldn't do it without you!

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jane Avery".

## The Year in Review from Resource Development

<b>FY 09-10 Fundraising Goal</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>+ (-)</b>
<b>\$1,542,829</b>	<b>\$1,642,575</b>	<b>\$99,746</b>

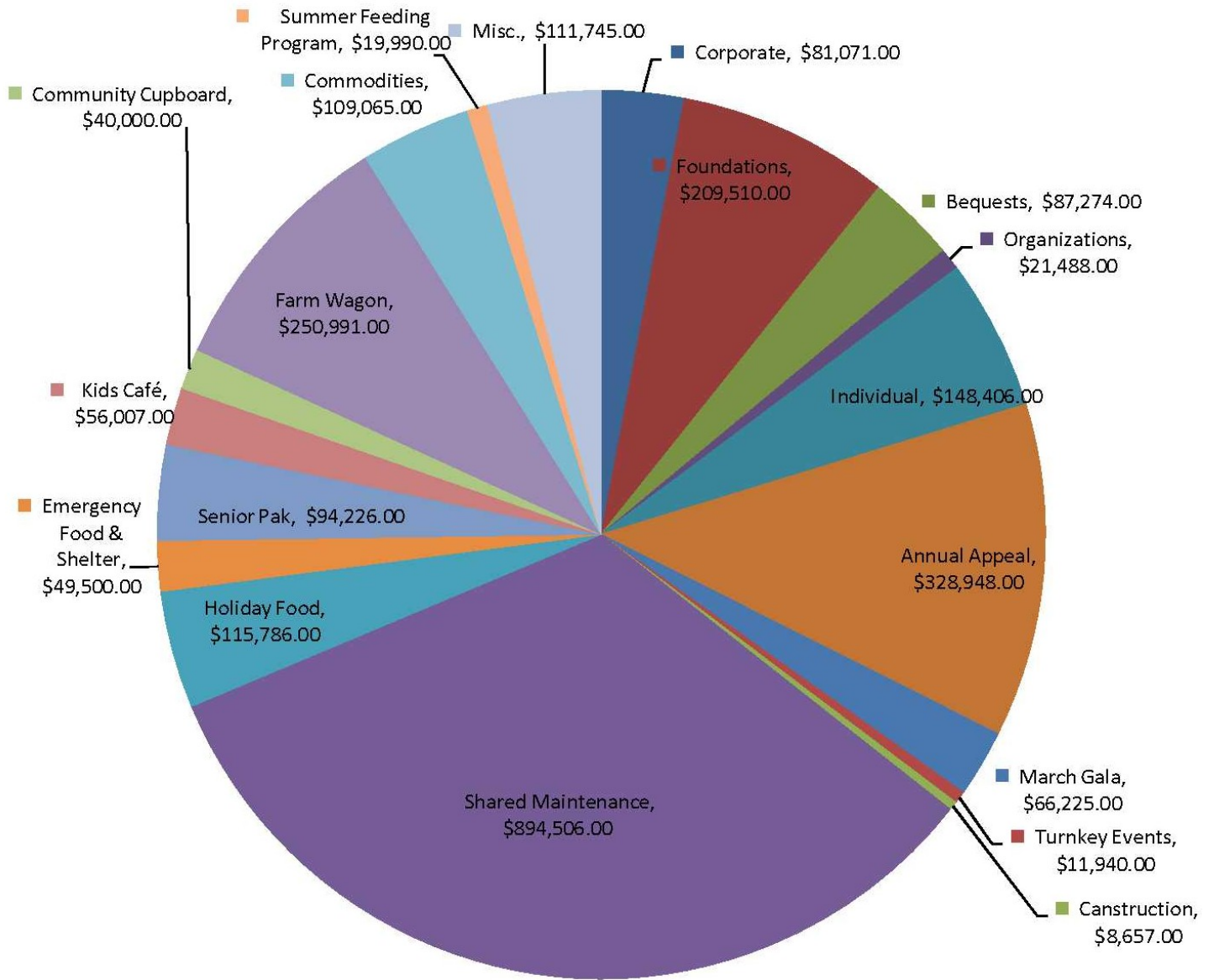
The continued economic slump brought into full focus the plight of the hungry in northeast Indiana. As a consequence, individuals, corporations, and foundations came forward with generous and compassionate donations to help Community Harvest feed the rising numbers of those affected by the harsh economic climate.



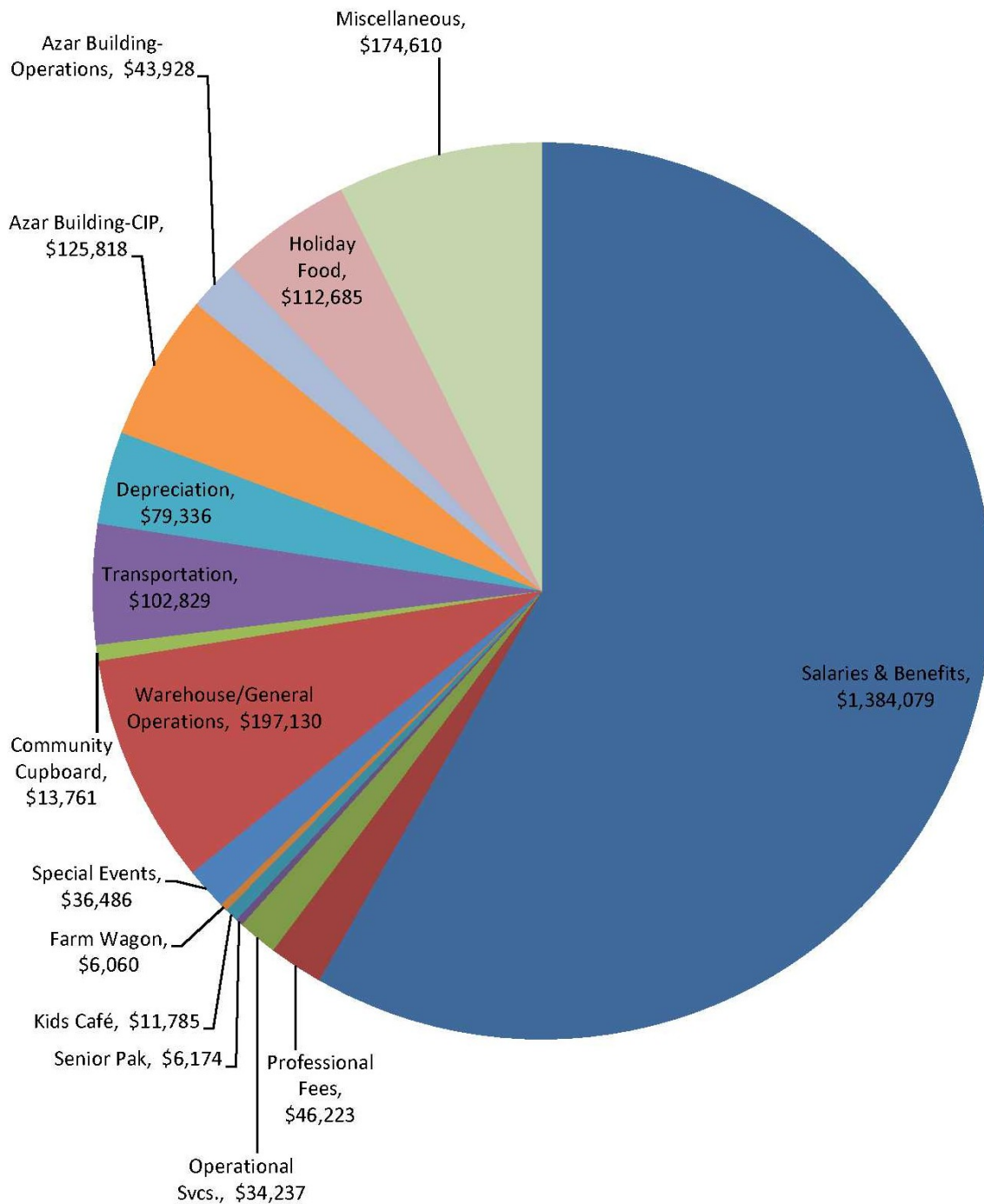
### Fiscal Year Snapshot:

- We exceeded our Annual Appeal fundraising goal by \$13,778.
- Other direct mailings for SeniorPak, Childhood Hunger, and the Feinstein Challenge raised \$80,526.
- The 21st annual Spring Gala (formerly An Evening of the Clubs) resulted in a net income of \$49,936 raising \$4,620 more than the previous year. We celebrated Deb & Doug Treesh as the recipients of the Charles B. Fine Friend of the Food Bank Award that evening.
- Turkey/Holiday food income showed a dramatic decrease from FY 08-09; however the increase from FY 07-08 is just as remarkable. FY 08-09 was an exceptional year for most food banks across the Feeding America network.
- Another area in which we have seen an increase in donations is online. This is partly due to our Virtual Food Drive. Donations on line in FY 09-10 were \$6,725. Nearly doubled that of the previous year.
- August: The Derby Girls held a Poker Run fundraiser for CHFB.
- September: During Hunger Action Month our Virtual Food Drive was introduced to the public and we held an open house for the public to tour and learn about our operation.
- October: The push for holiday food drives began raising \$1,669, 76 Hams, 9 Turkeys, and 423 pounds of assorted food for the month.
- November: Turkey Rally 2009 with Indiana's Newscenter raised \$8,129, 243 Turkeys, 16 Hams, 1,901 pounds of assorted food. University of Saint Francis' Feed the Fort 2009 raised \$7,849 & 11,828 pounds of food.
- February: Faces of Hunger -Bowls of Change at Northrop High School raised \$3,000.
- April: Taste of Waynedale sponsored by Kingston Residence raised \$7,500
- June: Agency Education Day was well received with a turn-out of over 250 CHFB agency representatives.

# Community Harvest Food Bank FY 2009-10 Revenue



# Community Harvest Food Bank FY 2009-10 Expenses



## New Landmark Study Reveals an Unprecedented Number of Northeast Indiana Hoosiers Seeking Emergency Food Assistance

### ***Largest, Most Comprehensive Report Ever Conducted On Emergency Food Distribution***

A landmark study was released on February 2, 2010 by Community Harvest Food Bank of Northeast Indiana, Inc. and Feeding America, the nation's largest domestic hunger-relief organization. *Hunger in America 2010* is the first re-research study to capture the significant connection between the recent economic downturn and an increased need for emergency food assistance. The number of children and adults in need of food as a result of experiencing food insecurity has significantly increased.

<b>Category</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>+ (-)</b>
Estimated number of different people CHFB provides food for annually:	48,600	90,000	41,400
Estimated number of different people who receive assistance from CHFB every week:	14,000	21,100	7,100
% served under 18 years old:	38%	45%	7%
% served who are elderly:	11%	5%	(6%)
% of households with at least one employed adult:	38%	39%	1%
% of those served having incomes below the federal poverty level during the previous month:	57%	71%	14%
% receiving SNAP (Food Stamps):	41%	28%	(13%)
% of those with preschool children who participate in WIC program:	38%	64%	26%
% of those with school-age children who participate in federal school lunch program:	53%	74%	21%



**Jane Avery**  
Executive Director

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