



SEPTEMBER IS HUNGER ACTION MONTH

FACTS ABOUT HUNGER IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS

FACTS ABOUT HUNGER IN AUBURN AREA (95602 AND 95603)

U.S. Census Bureau Fact Finder 2011-2015 (www.factfinder.census.gov)

- 1. There are an estimated 5,018 individuals living below the poverty level in the Auburn area.
- 2. There are an estimated 1,331 children under 18 and 740 seniors 65 and over living below poverty.
- 3. In the civilian labor force age 16 and over are an estimated 1,495 living below poverty. 762 are unemployed.
- 4. An estimated 7,100 Individuals have income below 125% of Poverty Level.

FACTS ABOUT HUNGER IN PLACER COUNTY

Feeding America Map the Meal Gap 2017

There are an estimated 45,130 individuals in Placer County who are food insecure or 12.3% of the County. About 54% of the 366,280 residents of Placer County have income below the 200% poverty level.

FACTS ABOUT HOW WIDESPREAD ECONOMIC HARDSHIP IS IN CALIFORNIA

California Budget and Policy Center Fact Sheet – October 2016

- 1. 1 in 5 Californians (20.6%) struggle to afford basic necessities.
- 2. Nearly 24% of children live in families struggling to get by.
- 3. About 20% of seniors 65 or older lack adequate resources.

FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL

The Federal Poverty Level for 2017 is annual income of \$12,060 for an individual. It increases based on the number in the family. For the average family of three, the income level is \$20,420. The Federal Emergency Food Assistance Program provides food to those making 150% of poverty level. About 90% of the clients who visit the Auburn Interfaith Food Closet self-certify they meet the income level to qualify for the EFAP program.

GROCERIES PROVIDED TO THE AUBURN AREA by the Auburn Interfaith Food Closet, The Auburn Salvation Army, Adventist Community Services, and Sierra Reach Ministries (Applegate).

MEALS: 2016 – 350,053	2017 to June – 170,480
FAMILIES: 2016: 14,663	2017 to June: 7,531
INDIVIDUALS: 2016: 46,089	2017 to June: 22,932

Comments from Clients:

- “I am happy for this place, it has helped my family greatly. Thank you. Much appreciated.” Janie & Family April 2017
- “Just wanted to say thank a special thank you from a very hungry person 😊.” Anonymous. June 2017
- “Thank you so much for doing a great job. We would be hungry if it wasn’t for you.” Anonymous. July 2017.