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CENTRAL NUTRITION PANTRY

ABOUT

Our Central Nutrition Pantry Program is made up of two initiatives: the Nutrition Pantry Program and Bridging the Nutrition Gap. We stock and deliver shelf-stable foods to elementary and secondary schools through our Nutrition Pantry Program, while our Bridging the Nutrition Gap program brings healthy foods, like fresh fruits and vegetables, directly to Student Nutrition Programs that need it most. We stretch every dollar by buying nutritious foods in bulk from places like the Ontario Food Terminal, partnering with organizations like Second Harvest and using our own cargo vans to keep delivery costs low; this helps us provide more food to more children for less!

KEY FACTS

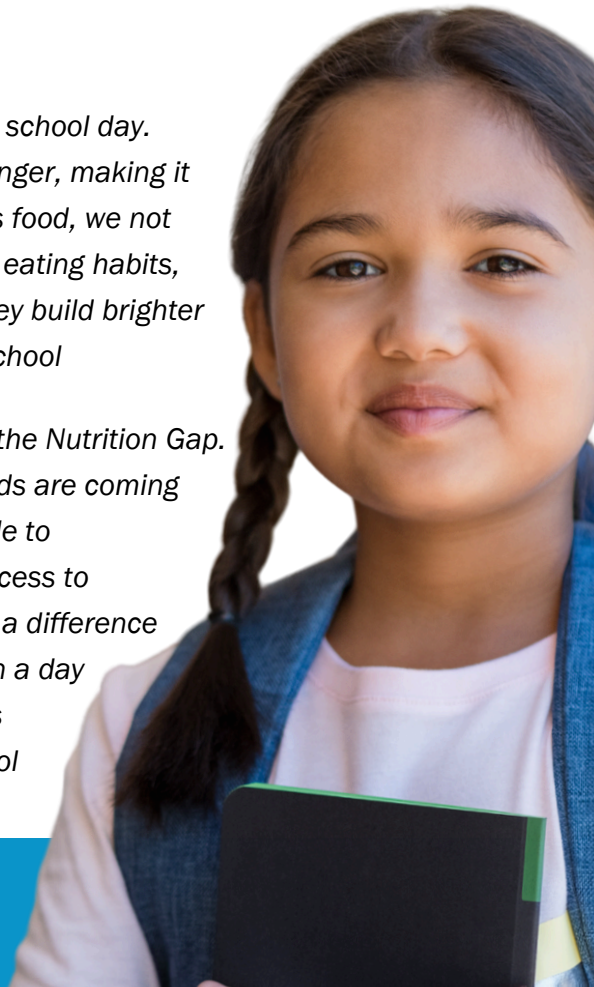
In the 2025-2026 school year, the Central Nutrition Pantry Program:

- Supported over 119,000 students in 331 schools across Toronto.
- Provided over 6.5 million food portions to elementary and secondary students.

THE IMPACT

"Meals help students self-regulate throughout the school day. When they're hungry, their focus shifts to their hunger, making it hard to concentrate in class. By offering nutritious food, we not only fuel their bodies but also teach them healthy eating habits, which they can take with them for a lifetime as they build brighter futures for themselves." - Principal, Elementary School

"We are so grateful for the support from Bridging the Nutrition Gap. There is a lot of student hunger at our school — kids are coming without lunches, and the morning snack we're able to offer is often their first meal of the day. Having access to nutritious food during the school day makes such a difference for our students — it's truly the difference between a day with sunshine and one without. The help from this program is a lifeline!"- Principal, Elementary School



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