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Our mission is to feed, educate, and empower communities to end hunger in Northwestern Ohio.

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We envision a community where our neighbors experience wellness through consistent access to nutritious food and education.

Over the past 40 years, the Food Bank has distributed over 100 million pounds of food and grocery products to our member agencies. Currently, the Food Bank serves nearly 200 agencies.

MAKE A SPECIAL 40TH ANNIVERSARY GIFT TODAY
Every dollar donated can provide 5 meals to help our neighbors in need. There are 3 easy ways to give.

$1 = 5 meals

To donate ONLINE scan the QR code to the right.
To donate by MAIL, send your check made payable to: Toledo Northwestern Ohio Food Bank 24 E. Woodruff Avenue Toledo, Ohio 43604
To make a gift by PHONE, please call 419-242-5000 ext. 214

Over 40 Years of Serving our Community!
Dear Friends,

I hope this newsletter finds you well. As we reflect on the journey of the Toledo Northwestern Ohio Food Bank, I am filled with immense gratitude for the unwavering support and dedication that each of you has shown to our organization over the years. Your generosity and commitment have been the driving force behind our mission to alleviate hunger and empower communities throughout Northwestern Ohio.

Since joining the Food Bank in 1995, I have witnessed firsthand the remarkable evolution of our organization. From our modest beginnings in a small facility with limited resources, we have grown into the largest hunger relief organization in the region, serving an expansive 8-county area. This growth would not have been possible without the generosity of donors like you, whose contributions have enabled us to expand our reach, enhance our programs, and make a meaningful impact on the lives of countless individuals and families facing food insecurity.

Over the years, we have worked tirelessly to fulfill our mission to end hunger. Through innovative programs, strategic partnerships, and dedicated outreach efforts, we have not only provided immediate relief through food distribution but also addressed the root causes of food insecurity through education and empowerment initiatives. From childhood hunger programs to nutrition education, cooking classes, healthcare partnerships, and benefits outreach efforts, we have remained steadfast in our commitment to building healthier, more resilient communities.

As we look to the future, I am filled with optimism and excitement for what lies ahead. Despite the challenges we face as a society, I am confident that with your continued support, we will overcome obstacles and continue to make a positive impact on the lives of those we serve. On behalf of the entire Toledo Northwestern Ohio Food Bank team, I want to express my deepest gratitude to each and every one of you. Your support truly makes a difference, and we are honored to have you by our side as we continue this important fight.

With heartfelt thanks,

James M. Caldwell
President & CEO
Toledo Northwestern Ohio Food Bank

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PLANNED GIVING
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• Keep us thriving with your gift.
• Take advantage of numerous tax and financial benefits.
• Leave a legacy to be remembered by future generations.

If you have questions or would like more information about Planned Giving, please contact our Development Team at 419-242-5000 ext. 212 or at donate@toledofoodbank.org. You can also visit our website at legacy.toledofoodbank.org

FIGHT AGAINST HUNGER
To help us fight hunger visit: www.toledofoodbank.org

Strawberry Slushie

Ingredients:
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3 cups ice

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