



Annual Meeting and Volunteer Appreciation



# 99/25 Alightight

## Mission & Values

Open Table's mission is to end hunger in our local community by providing healthy food in ways that respect the dignity and diversity of those served.

We offer a wide variety of healthy and culturally appropriate food choices in our pantry and meal programs and engage a team of diverse, committed, and passionate staff and volunteers.

### What does it mean to be food secure?

Food security = having reliable access to a sufficient quantity of affordable, nutritious food

- Reliable= you can count on it
- Access = you can get to it
- Sufficient quality = there is enough of it
- Affordable = you can pay for it without making hard choices
- Nutritious = it gives your body what it needs to grow and stay healthy

## Who Do We Serve?

- 21 communities in Middlesex County
- Anyone who works in Maynard or Concord

#### FY25 Top 5 communities

1. Maynard

2. Acton

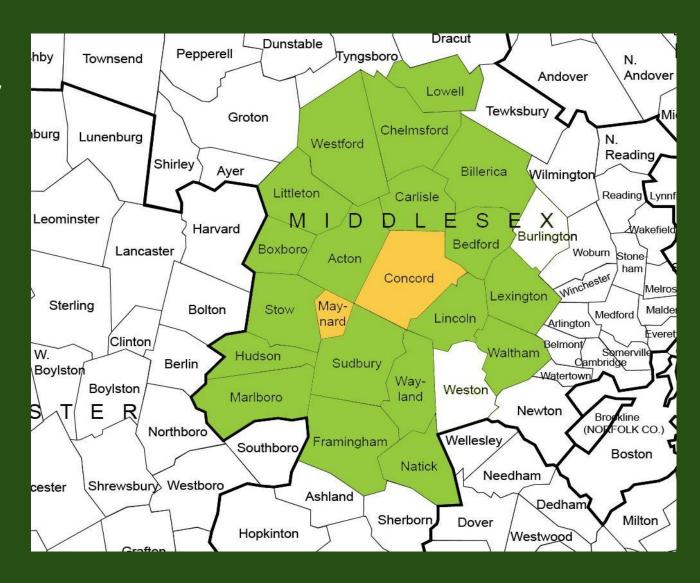
3. Lowell

4. Hudson

5. Concord



65% of food



## Why Do We Do It?

- 1 in 3 Massachusetts adults struggle with food insecurity
- Individuals in food insecure households are at higher risk for chronic health diseases and hospitalizations
- 75% of households receiving monthly food benefits need additional food assistance
- In past 12 months reliance on food pantries increased in frequency and amount of food needed
- Food-insecure households are making trade-offs for basic needs

## FY25 Data: July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

Metric	FY25	% Change
Food Distributed at Pantries (lbs)	925,063	5%
Frozen & Fresh Meals (# meals)	78,845	0%
Pantry Visits & Deliveries (# households)	25,146	11%
Unique Individuals Served (# people)	8,821	4%
Meals Equivalent* (# meals)	770,886	5%

<sup>\*</sup>Based on Feeding America guideline of 1.2 pound = 1 meal

# What you give: FY25



→ 24,688 hours of service

→ 261 new volunteers

→ 116 volunteer shifts/week

→ Average 55 volunteers / day

→ Fair market value: over \$750,000/year

# Coming Soon....



# Settled In...







## What's Next: Strategic Plan Considerations

#### Opportunities:

- Tremendous volunteer interest and consistent participation
- High levels of trust with clients
- Very strong local support and partnerships
- Increased facilities and storage capacity

#### Challenges:

- Impact of inflation and tariffs on food and supply prices
- Increased demand related to food benefits and other safety net program reductions
- Uncertain supply of food from our major sources