



Mountaineer Food Bank and Facing Hunger Foodbank provide over 17 million meals each year to struggling families in West Virginia. Over 275,000 or more than **1 in 6** individuals in WV struggle with hunger related issues everyday. These individuals are often forced to make tough choices between healthy food and other necessities such as utilities and medical costs. The food bank network reaches all 55 counties and many communities in the state to ensure everyone has access to the food they need.

Since 2016, West Virginia FFA has partnered with both food banks to raise awareness and funds for child hunger programs in the state, including many Backpack programs. Child hunger is a critical issue as **1 in 4** children in WV are at risk of hunger. The past three years, WV FFA has raised over \$29,500 to help feed over 8,400 children. In 2018, WV FFA and the WV Farm Bureau Young Farmers and Ranchers partnered together to plant, grow and harvest fresh sweet corn. The two groups harvested 3,216 pounds fresh sweet corn and donated it to Mountaineer Food Bank to be used at their mobile food pantry distributions.

In 2019, West Virginia FFA has decided to add yet another element to their project. In addition to harvesting a crop and supporting child hunger programs they will also be providing the funds for, and packing 500 Veteran food boxes. West Virginia has a long history of servicemen and women who have bravely fought for our country. Despite their sacrifices, many of our veterans have to worry about putting food on the dinner table. The Veterans feeding programs are dedicated to ensuring West Virginia's Veterans are provided with nourishing and nutritious food.

Join us in our effort to make 2019 the best year yet! Every \$20 donated will help us procure enough food for 10 Backpacks or 1 Veterans Food Box!



**E.M. Tiffany said it best when he said, "I believe in the future of agriculture, with a faith born not of word but of deeds."**



#### THE FFA MOTTO

LEARNING TO DO  
DOING TO LEARN  
EARNING TO LIVE  
LIVING TO SERVE

**West Virginia FFA members, by living to serve, we can make a difference in the lives of thousands of people right here in the state of West Virginia!  
Together, we can learn by doing and serve those around us!**

West Virginia FFA is partnering with Mountaineer Food Bank and Facing Hunger Foodbank, private, non-profit 501 (c) (3) organizations. As a courtesy to our donors, Mountaineer Food Bank does not exchange, sell or rent our mailing list.

**Your contribution is tax deductible.**

Complete the form below and be sure to make checks payable to: WV FFA Association

Mail donations to:

Attn: Jason Hughes 1900 Kanawha Blvd. East Building 6, Suite 825 Charleston, WV 25305

West Virginia Code 29-19-8 requires "every printed solicitation includes the following statement 'West Virginia residents may obtain a summary of the registration and financial documents from the Secretary of State. State Capitol, Charleston, WV 25305.

*Yes, I want to sponsor Backpacks for children and/or a food box for Veterans in  
West Virginia!*

**Enclosed is my contribution of:**

\_\_\_\_\_ \$1,000 = 500 Backpacks \_\_\_\_\_ \$500 = 250 Backpacks  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$100 = 50 Backpacks \_\_\_\_\_ \$50 = 25 Backpacks  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$20 = 10 Backpacks or 1 Veterans Food Box \_\_\_\_\_ Other

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**DO. LIVE. LEARN. SERVE.**