



Society of St. Andrew

Gleaning America's Fields—Feeding America's Hungry

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Welcome SoSA's Next Executive Director

Because of your steadfast support, the Society of St. Andrew has spent decades turning fields of potential waste into tables of plenty. Together, we recently shared our billionth pound of produce with neighbors in need. As we honor the legacy of retiring Executive Director Lynette Johnson, we invite you to look forward with joy to our next chapter. The Board of Directors is thrilled to announce that Joshua Hearne has been appointed as SoSA's next Executive Director, effective September 21, 2026.

Board Chair Jeff Holland said, "From the beginning of our search, we looked for a leader who shares the Society of St. Andrew's deep dedication to faith, service, and connecting people with

our awesome mission. Josh brings that dedication, along with experience, humility, and a collaborative spirit, to lead the Society of Saint Andrew into its next chapter. The Board is excited to welcome him and confident in the future we will build together."

Joshua comes to SoSA with extensive experience in community development, philanthropy, and faith-rooted service. Currently serving as Program Director at the Danville Regional Foundation, he previously spent 13 years founding and leading Grace and Main Fellowship, working alongside individuals experiencing hunger and homelessness. He holds degrees from Georgetown College, Duke University, and Mercer University.

Most importantly, Joshua deeply values the essential role that you—our family of supporters, volunteers, and partners—play every single day.

As Joshua steps into his role, his immediate priority is to listen to and learn from the community partners and supporters who make this ministry shine.

Your faithful support makes every harvest possible. With your continued partnership and Joshua's leadership, SoSA is positioned to nourish even more families, strengthen local farm partnerships, and share abundance for years to come.

To read more about Joshua Hearne and the leadership transition, visit EndHunger.org/next-chapter ■



Joshua Hearne

"I am honored to join the Society of St. Andrew, an organization that brings people together faithfully to nourish their neighbors and build stronger communities for everyone,"

Hearne shared. "Without a doubt, SoSA's greatest strength is the people: the network of staff, volunteers, growers, churches, donors, feeding agencies, and community partners who set a table where everyone might find a meal and community."



January 1–June 30, 2026

**Fresh food saved and
shared with hungry people**

Nourishing Food Recovered.....	8,252,372 lbs
Servings of Fresh Food Provided.....	33,009,488
Events	1,302
Volunteers.....	6,565
Farms/Providers.....	264
Distributing Agencies	1,000



A Message from Our Board Chair: Welcoming Our New Executive Director

Dear Friends of Society of St. Andrew,

For over forty-five years, this ministry has operated on a simple yet profound premise: that the abundance of God's harvest should nourish those who need it most. Today, on behalf of the Board of Directors, I am excited to announce a bold step forward into our next chapter.

The Board has unanimously appointed Joshua Hearne as our next Executive Director, effective September 21, 2026!

Joshua is a relational, faith-fluent leader grounded in service and community. Combining deep listening with disciplined strategy, he brings a passion for sustainable impact and experience on both sides of philanthropy—knowing firsthand that trust sustains mission. Having founded a faith-based community organization and led major regional philanthropic initiatives, Joshua will build directly on SoSA's faith-rooted mission and our distinctive model of service.

We stand at a pivotal moment. The need across our country is great, but our momentum and opportunity for growth are even greater. With Joshua at the helm, we are poised to deepen our impact, expand our reach into fields and communities, and steward God's abundance with renewed energy and vision.

As he steps into the role, Joshua's early focus will be on listening, learning, and building relationships across SoSA by working hand in hand with our staff, volunteers, growers, churches, and partners. The Board and staff are fully committed to a strong, well-supported transition as we launch into this bright new season together.

The future of the Society of St. Andrew is brimming with hope and promise. Please join us in giving Joshua a joyful, warm welcome as we continue ensuring that nothing goes to waste and no one goes unfed!

With gratitude and excitement,

Jeff Holland
Chair, Board of Directors

Behind the Harvest:

How Farmers Share Abundance

When looking at challenges in our world, it is easy to wonder: *Is there enough to go around? How can we possibly meet the overwhelming needs of our neighbors?*



surplus crops go unharvested, growers partner with SoSA to ensure their hard work continues to feed people.

To highlight these inspiring farmers, SoSA collaborated with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to create a series of educational video Gleaning Guides. Each episode features a specific farmer and crop. The farmers detail best practices for produce safety, the easiest ways to pick produce, and why they are personally passionate about this work.

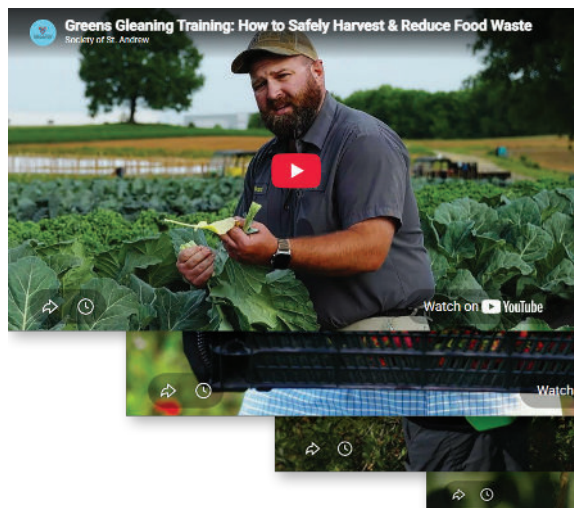
"There are food insecurities all over the world. And if we can help alleviate some of that, even if it's in our small little area here, we feel like we've done our part to help."
-Anna Barbee, Barbee Farm

See your generosity in action by exploring this video series at EndHunger.org/Gleaning-Guides. These short episodes take you right onto the farm to rescue fresh produce for our neighbors. Watch today to see how your partnership brings abundance from the field straight to those who need it most. ■

"There's always produce that's available that is going to be wasted if it's not gleaned. And we feel like it really costs us nothing to be able to let the gleaners come out and get this produce to share with our community. If not, it's going to go to waste. We want to be mindful that if we have products available for folks to eat, it can go into our community and help those in need."
-David Correll, Correll Farms

GREENS Apples
Strawberries
Blueberries
Toma
CORN

Watch our new videos at
EndHunger.org/gleaning-guides
or just scan the QR code below



Because of your partnership, the Society of St. Andrew sees a different reality, rooted in abundance. Hunger is rarely a problem of scarcity; America's farm fields yield more than enough nutrient-dense food to nourish every single neighbor.

As summer comes to a close, we are immensely grateful for our local farmers. Throughout the long, hot summer months, these dedicated growers work tirelessly to plant, tend, and harvest the crops that sustain us. Through their generosity, they make abundance visible. Rather than letting

Serving With *Harvest of Hope*

Hunger is a huge topic to address in just a few days, but every year at Harvest of Hope, youth from all over the country band together to learn, serve, and commit to being part of the solution. Harvest of Hope is a microcosm of SoSA's entire mission. It bridges the gap between fields and local feeding agencies, showing young people that hunger is not a problem of scarcity, but of connection and equipping them to be part of the solution.

This summer in Alabama, Mulberry Street United Methodist Church and Jackson United Methodist Church gathered for gleaning, community work, and deep spiritual reflection.

Because of your support, these young participants experienced firsthand what it means to turn abundance into daily bread for neighbors in need.

This was the first Harvest of Hope in Alabama in over a decade! Tresca McSwain, SoSA's Harvest of Hope Director, said, "Bringing Harvest of Hope to Alabama gives groups in a different region the chance to participate in an immersive, life-changing experience while making a huge impact on the Alabama community in a short time. While there, they engaged with the community not only by serving, but also by receiving incredible hospitality."

"Hunger isn't just the homeless man on the street," Debbie reflected. "It's people who look just like my church."

Debbie Bell, one of the chaperones from Jackson UMC in Jackson, GA, is no stranger to Harvest of Hope trips. Debbie first attended a trip in South Carolina over two decades



pe In Alabama

ago, where hands-on gleaning and a hunger simulation meal reshaped her understanding of poverty.

This summer, she brought her youth group to Alabama for another opportunity to serve.

The youth from Mulberry and Jackson United Methodist gleaned cucumber, squash, zucchini, and corn in the hot sun at a local, family-owned farm with a long history of generosity. Though the heat was intense, the farmer kept opening more and more to the gleaners! By the end of the day, these kids rescued 1,195 pounds of produce that would soon be on the plates of neighbors in need.

But at Harvest of Hope, gleaning is only the first part of the story. SoSA staff and volunteers' deep relationships with local agencies, farms, and the North Alabama Agriplex broadened the experience beyond gleaning, and the youth saw firsthand how hunger relief works at every level. They served at a community garden in Cullman, helping neighbors grow nutritious produce for their families. They also

served at the COC Soup Kitchen and Cullman Caring for Kids. The campers' enthusiasm never waned, proving that when young people are given the opportunity to serve, they engage with all their hearts.

Harvest of Hope participants retreated and rested each day at the Benedictine Sisters Monastery. Hosted by the sisters who live there, the youth walked the labyrinth, explored sacred communal spaces, and even joined the sisters for vespers. The peaceful, prayerful atmosphere offered space to reflect on the work and service of each day. ■

Over the years, Debbie's youth have put their faith into action everywhere they go. In 2025 in Washington, D.C., they were inspired by a Little Free Food Pantry outside their host church. Every day of Harvest of Hope, they filled the little pantry (pictured on the left below) with snacks and fruit. When they returned home to Georgia, they decided to start their own Little Free Pantry to serve their community! This summer, they built one outside their church for their neighbors (pictured on the right below and in bottom photo). Church members have kept it full ever since.





12baskets



Monthly Giving Program

Share nourishing food with people in the greatest need year-round by joining the 12 Baskets Monthly Giving Program. Your gifts will make a tremendous impact by faithfully sharing healthy food with our hungry neighbors throughout the year.

Yes! Please sign me up for 12 Baskets

- ☐ \$25 per month will share 6,000 servings of healthy fruits and vegetables with children, adults, and seniors facing hunger.
- ☐ \$50 per month will share 12,000 servings of healthy fruits and vegetables with children, adults, and seniors facing hunger.
- ☐ _____ Other monthly donation amount

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

**Sign up online at: EndHunger.org/12-baskets
or through your authorization (below).**

- ☐ I'd like to donate through an automatic withdrawal from my checking account. Please contact me to set this up.

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Account # _____ Exp. Date _____ CVV _____

Signature _____

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THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING FOUNDATIONS & CORPORATIONS

that donated \$1,000+ in the 2nd quarter of 2026

These foundations and corporations recently made contributions to the Society of St. Andrew as a part of their organizational alignment with SoSA's mission. Their funds were invested in local communities with high levels of hunger and food insecurity which provided fresh food to local families, at no cost to them.

Foundation For The Carolinas.....Charlotte, NC
A & N Electric Cooperative.....Tasley, VA
American Online Giving Foundation.....Newark, DE
BWX Technologies, Inc.....Lynchburg, VA
Community Foundation of Central Alabama.....Montgomery, AL
Community Foundation of Eastern Shore.....Salisbury, MD
Croasdaile Village Residents Association.....Durham, NC
DAFgiving360.....San Francisco, CA
Fidelity Charitable Gifts.....Cincinnati, OH
Fidelity Giving Marketplace.....Cincinnati, OH
John K. Bastien Foundation.....Delray Beach, FL
Nutrien.....Calgary, AB Canada
Raymond James Charitable Endowment Fund.....St. Petersburg, FL
The Food Shippers of America Inc.....Geneva, IL
Titmus Foundation.....Sutherland, VA
United Methodist Foundation, Inc.....Garner, NC

Recent Individual Donations

These names represent gifts made "In Memory Of" and "In Honor Of" special people and/or significant occasions. As loved ones are honored or remembered these gifts bring people together to harvest and share healthy food, reduce food waste, and build caring communities by offering nourishment to hungry neighbors. Thank you.

In Memory Of

Monica (Nika) Alvarado
Charles Martin Barbee
Charlie & Sharon Barbee
Cardella
Betty Jo Casida
Mary Jane Cook
Doug Cosler
Darcy
Darcy II
Joyce Ey
Joyce Ey
Fr. Goran
Fr. Seraphim
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Fr. Zhivko
Frances
Sandra Freund
Michael Humphries
Nellie Porter Logan
Jean Makoujy
Dorothy Allen Moore
Anna Lee Newman

Lanny Sheets
Todd
J. Glenn Wilson

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Charlie and Sharon Barbee
David & Jennifer Bowen
Matthew Creech
Jennifer Davis Sensinig
Lewis M Gardner
Gina's Birthday
Lesley Huffaker
Saije Inman
Lynette Johnson
Bonnie Jones & Carrie Pence
Vicki & John Maloney
Sally & David Maxwell's
Anniversary
Stella Pool
Adrienne Standridge
Chesley Vohden



Society of St. Andrew
GLEANNING AMERICA'S FIELDS
FEEDING AMERICA'S HUNGRY

**Your community
needs you, and the
harvest is ready.**

More than one-third of all food grown in the U.S. is lost as waste, yet hunger remains a daily reality for many. As a SoSA volunteer, you get to roll up your sleeves, enjoy the outdoors, and ensure that excess becomes life-saving meals. Whether you're a first-timer or a seasoned gleaner, we have a place for you.



EndHunger.org/volunteer

Donor Spotlight

One Family's Legacy:

Decades of Generosity Yield a \$700,000 Gift to Nourish Neighbors

During the COVID pandemic, the board of the Society of St. Andrew approved receiving a donation of four parcels of land totaling about 20 acres within the City of Lynchburg, Virginia, with the intent that the properties would be sold and the proceeds used to further SoSA's mission. We celebrate both the gift of the land and, on August 3, 2026, its sale, with proceeds exceeding \$700,000 to help SoSA feed more hungry people.

The land itself had a storied history, being a land grant from King George II of England in

1760. It was inherited early in the 20th century by Leroy and Peggy Bowen, who for many years ran a dairy operation on an extended area including these parcels and considerable additional land. Following Leroy's death in 1989, the property transferred to a partnership comprised of their four children.

Peggy Bowen and two of her children were long-time supporters of the Society of St. Andrew, and it was this

deeply held family belief in the importance of SoSA's work that led to the donation of the properties.

David Bowen, a former SoSA board member, says, "I have been blessed in so many ways. I want to share whatever I can to make a difference in the lives of others. I know the Society of St. Andrew is a good steward of its resources, so I am glad to continue to support its ministry." ■

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A 30-Day, Fundraising Challenge that raises \$1,000 when your team works together to help feed people in need

Take the challenge! Encourage your class, faith community, group, organization, or business to adopt a bushel of fruits and vegetables to support the gleaning and feeding work of the Society of St. Andrew.

Learn More:
EndHunger.org/abfn

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