USA: United Social Advocates

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Our project focuses on the community issue of accessible food banks.





The Issue

• The issue is that **1,650,000** children die across Texas from food insecurity.

• Our root cause is that most of the people who are food insecure either don't know where they're located or can't find food banks near them.

 Our goal is to impact Fort Worth's food insecurity issue, by helping to provide transport to people in need and by making food pantries mobile to make them more accessible.





What is the difference between food insecurity and homelessness???

Food Insecurity: People who are unable to obtain the necessary food means

Homelessness: People without a home



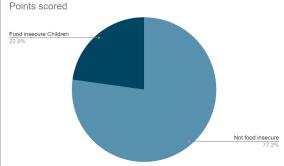
Are they the same?



Facts

Here are some facts about the lack of accessibility of food pantries in Fort Worth/Tarrant County

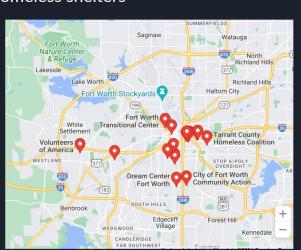
- Texas has the most food insecurity, 16.4% nearly 5 million individuals are facing hunger which is an increase from 2021
- Texas has 1,697,870 children facing hunger with a food insecurity with a rate of 22.8%
- % of the people in Tarrant County (and surrounding areas) face
 food insecurity



Possible Solutions

- You can donate food to the homeless people or homeless shelters
- We could build more food banks in Fort Worth
- We could partner with Doordash or Ubereats and Amazon
- We could get a bunch of vans and hook trailers to them, and then deliver the supplies to the homeless or food insecure people. The vans could also take the homeless to homeless shelters

These are homeless shelters in downtown FW and as you can see there are only 4 outside of Downtown



Food pantries in Fort Worth













What We Learned

Aidan: I have learned that just because you have food insecurity doesn't mean you're homeless

Charlotte: I learned about people who are food insecure and I have learned how to use Chat GPT and other AI sources

Talayeh: I learned that you don't have to be homeless to be food insecure

Justice: I learned that you should be more grateful for the food that you have

Charley: I have learned about our rights, AI, Presidents, and government

Chase: I have learned about the multiple problems we have in the community

Kennedi: I've learned just how important food insecurity is and that just because your food insecure doesn't mean you're homeless

About us

• The reason we chose this topic is because this issue caught our attention the most, more than other community issues.

 A fun fact about our group is that we all have big families

Resources

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