



Together,
we ensure every neighbor has
reliable access to nutritious food.



Nourish
NANTUCKET

2025 ANNUAL REPORT



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We are now in a position to move the needle in managing the food insecurity issue on the island, but our ultimate goal is to end hunger here permanently, which will require broad island support. We have a chance – and a responsibility – to take care of our neighbors and make sure everyone has enough to feed their families.

– Bruce A. Percelay
Nourish Nantucket Board Member

Our Impact

In 2025, Nourish Nantucket strengthened its role as the connective tissue of Nantucket’s food security network by raising awareness, filling gaps in service, and ensuring that no matter where a resident turns for help, they are met with a path to nourishing food.

\$600K+

In grants distributed in 2025 to food program and partners

600

Individuals served through our grocery card program

2,800+

Referrals made to food access programs

Nourish Nantucket Programs & Partners

Nantucket Food Pantry

Meals on Wheels & Senior Dining

Nantucket Public Schools

Local Produce Programs

Food Pantry Meals

Summer Student Meals

Feed Nantucket

Pip Send It Boxes

The Warming Place

Nantucket Family Resource Center

Grocery Cards & Prepared Meals

Health Imperatives

Women, Infants, & Children (WIC)

Sustainable Nantucket

Local Proteins Programs

School Pantry Program

Our House

SNAP/HIP

MassWildlife

Nantucket Land Bank

Nantucket Boys & Girls Club

Dear Friends,

What a year it has been for Nourish Nantucket, and for the thousands of island neighbors whose lives are a little more secure because of your support.

When we launched Nourish Nantucket, we committed to doing something different; not just feeding people, but building a coordinated, data-driven food security system that could identify needs and fill gaps across the entire island. In 2025, that commitment came to life in ways that exceeded even our own expectations.



*Meg Browsers
Executive Director*

We documented what many already knew but few had quantified: 1 out of 3 year-round Nantucket residents face food insecurity. Armed with that research, we educated our community, engaged our partners, and took action by distributing grocery cards, delivering prepared meals, launching the Farm Truck, and piloting new programs like school pantries and venison distribution.

In August, an extraordinary thing happened. A generous donor made a \$1 million gift, the single largest contribution in our history, as an investment in the potential of our Food Fund model. We immediately deployed \$400,000 of that gift to our food access program network, funding the Food Pantry, Meals on Wheels, Health Imperatives, the Warming Place, grocery cards, local produce programs, a Thanksgiving collaboration with the Nantucket Boys & Girls Club, and more. The message was clear: when our community believes in something, it acts.

Then, as federal SNAP benefits faced a potential freeze, we mobilized within days, coordinating with partners across the island to provide access to grocery cards and prepared meal programs. Our friends at the Family Resource Center have been an incredible partner ensuring everyone in need has a place to go for support, and the ongoing assistance of our partners at Nantucket Golf Club Foundation and Remain are critical.

Finally, after years of searching, we secured a permanent home in October: 19 Boynton Lane. In partnership with the Nantucket Land Bank, we co-acquired a \$6.5 million property that will become Nantucket's first true food security hub — housing the Food Pantry, Nourish Nantucket, venison processing, meal preparation, and our offices under one roof. A \$1 million USDA Congressional Set-Aside will help fund the renovation. It is a milestone we will be talking about for generations.

None of this happened by accident. It happened because of you: our donors, volunteers, board members, partner organizations, advisors, and the community members who trust us with their most basic need. Thank you for believing that Nantucket can be a place where no one goes hungry.

With gratitude,

Meg Browsers

Meg Browsers,
Executive Director, Nourish Nantucket

NANTUCKET RESOURCE PARTNERSHIP

Statement of Activity

JULY 2024 - JUNE 2025 UNAUDITED

Income:*

Grant and Donor Funds	\$ 1,414,000.00
In-Kind donations	\$ 11,000.00
Other Income	\$ 1,000.00

Total Revenue* **\$ 1,426,000.00**

Expenditures:*

Event Expenses	\$ 25,000.00
Insurance	\$ 2,000.00
Office Expenses	\$ 13,000.00
Payroll Expenses	\$ 162,000.00
Professional Fees	\$ 90,000.00
Food Program Expenses	\$ 407,000.00

Total Expenditures* **\$ 699,000.00**

Net Operating Balance* **\$ 727,000.00**

The Net Operating Balance of \$727,379.09 for Fiscal Year 2025.

** Rounded to the nearest thousand*

2025 Milestones Community Awareness Campaign

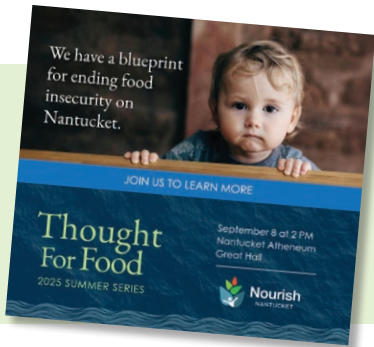
Food Insecurity Context Established

Brian Lenane leads a comprehensive study on food insecurity with generous support from Remain.

Nourish Nantucket publishes its latest food insecurity report. We now know nearly 1 out of 2 students and 1 out

of 3 year-round residents experiences food insecurity.

Nourish Nantucket hosts Senator Markey's office for food security updates and a roundtable discussion about looming federal cuts to food access programs.



*Thought for Food Presentations
NN begins a series of community education sessions focused on food security challenges and solutions.*

Reinforcing Our Mission & Role To Increase Awareness

Bruce A. Percelay leads a robust awareness campaign so every islander understands the depth and breadth of food insecurity on island.

Nourish Nantucket hires Ashley Langer as Communications Manager.



Communications Manager Ashley Langer (left), and Board Member Tricia Vanacore (right) distribute meals.

Nourish Nantucket Engages the Community

Nourish Nantucket launches a campaign to spotlight food insecurity, featuring a Nantucket Current ad series and partnership with Wadah Good Cause. Media coverage and a full summer schedule drive new partnerships with local organizations.



1st Annual Friends for Food

In July, we hosted our first Friends for Food event at Cliffside Beach Club, uniting donors, partners, and neighbors around a pressing Nantucket challenge. Galley Beach generously sponsored all food and beverages.

Left: NN Board Member Bruce A. Percelay introducing 'Friends for Food' in July.

Transformational Gift!
\$1 Million

In August, Nourish Nantucket receives a generous \$1 million gift. This gift directly supports food access programs and pilots solutions addressing unmet needs on the island.



Feed Nantucket Initiative

The Feed Nantucket initiative launches, collecting leftover vacation groceries to reduce waste and support local families. The program is the first step in establishing a food rescue program on island.

Grant Ramirez (left), who started Feed Nantucket as a high school senior, collects non-perishable foods to donate to the Nantucket Food Pantry.

Nourish Nantucket Establishes the Food Fund

The Food Fund is designed to disburse grants for food programming on island. Thanks to the \$1million gift, immediate funds are available for network partners.

Grant Distribution to Partners & New Initiatives

In 2025, the first distribution of \$400,000 from the \$1M gift supports:

- Nantucket Food Pantry expansion of prepared meals and protein offerings
- Grocery cards for Health Imperatives/ WIC and The Warming Place
- Meals on Wheels stability



Roisin Murray, left, and Yanjiao Wu, volunteer to deliver meals prepared by Nantucket Catering Co.



600

Nourish's grocery card program empowered 600 year-round residents to purchase food.

NN Pilots Innovative Food Security Programs & Promotes An Executive Director

In 2025, Nourish Nantucket piloted and scaled critical, low barrier programs including a grocery card program supporting 600 year-round residents with direct purchasing power at island grocery stores; a prepared meals program delivering weekly, nutritious meals

to neighbors in need; and a farm truck bringing fresh produce directly to the Nantucket Boys & Girls Club each week. On September 24, 2025, Meg Browers is promoted to the Executive Director position, after serving the organization in other roles since 2023.

Coordinated Contingency Planning

NN coordinates multi-agency preparation for potential SNAP benefit interruptions, bolstering grocery card and prepared meal programs to ensure continuity of food access.

SNAP Freeze Response

When a potential federal SNAP freeze threatened to cut off benefits for hundreds of Nantucket households, Nourish Nantucket mobilized within days to provide additional support to the community. Over 500 Nantucket individuals would have been directly impacted by a SNAP benefit interruption. We convened partners,



expanded grocery card capacity, and reinforced prepared meal programs to guarantee continuity of food access for the most vulnerable residents. Nourish Nantucket, in partnership with Sustainable Nantucket, also supplemented HIP funds at the farmers market with vouchers for SNAP and WIC clients. This response demonstrated the power of a coordinated food system.

NOVEMBER



Meg Browsers and Jamie Foster, CEO of Nantucket Boys and Girls Club, distributing Thanksgiving turkeys and fresh produce boxes.

Thanksgiving Support

Nourish distributes 100 turkeys and produce boxes, feeding 800 people in partnership with the Nantucket Boys & Girls Club.

Our First Annual Appeal Was A Great Success

Our first-ever Annual Appeal was a resounding success. Hundreds of donors responded with generosity, raising critical funds to sustain our Food Fund and deepen our commitment to every family on this island.



A Permanent Food Hub

NN and the Nantucket Land Bank finalize co-acquisition of the Boynton Lane property, the future home of the food pantry, venison processing, office space, and expanded program capacity.

Our New Headquarters: 19 Boynton Lane

Thanks to the tireless work of Board Members Brooke Mohr and Bruce A. Percelay, 19 Boynton Lane is now Nantucket Community Food Hub. Co-acquired with the Nantucket Land Bank, the building will house the Nantucket Food Pantry, the Land Bank's Agricultural Processing Center, meal preparation, and Nourish Nantucket offices, giving the island's food system a home built to last.

The acquisition of 19 Boynton Lane is more than a real estate transaction; it is a declaration that food security warrants a permanent, essential infrastructure on Nantucket. For the first time in the island's history, several food access programs will operate from a dedicated, centrally located hub designed to serve the community for generations to come.



NN received a Congressional Set-Aside from the USDA of \$1.0M to support the renovation of the new Boynton Lane headquarters.



THANK *you!*

Left - Right: Rachael Freeman, Janis Carreiro, and Meg Browers

None of this work happens without you.

Behind every grocery card distributed and every meal delivered, there is a community that showed up. None of this work happens without you — thank you for your partnership, your generosity, and your trust.

As we look ahead to 2026, we are building on this foundation with expanded programs, a new headquarters, and a growing coalition of partners.

Together, we are creating a well-nourished Nantucket community.

With gratitude,
The Nourish Nantucket Team

2025 Donors

\$50,000+

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Lynn Bogle
Laurel Family Foundation
Nantucket Golf Club
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Mark and Tricia Vanacore

\$25,000 - \$49,999

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Standing in the future home of the Nantucket Food Pantry.

Nourish Nantucket's vision requires a strong network of partnerships, and our work wouldn't be possible without the following individuals and organizations:

Referral Partners

A Safe Place
Fairwinds
Health Imperatives/WIC
Meals on Wheels
Nantucket Family
Resource Center
Nantucket Public Schools
NCH Social Services
Department
Our House

2025 Sponsors

Cavalier Ebanks Gallery
Cisco Brewers
Cliffside Beach Club
Egan Maritime Institute
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Lemon Press
N Magazine
Nantucket Golf Club
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Pip & Anchor
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Community Partners

Almanack Arts Colony
Cavalier Ebanks Gallery
Cisco Brewers
Cliffside Beach Club
Corner Table Cafe
Easy Street Restaurant
Egan Maritime
Feed Nantucket
Food Link
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Nantucket Boys & Girls Club
Nantucket Catering Company
Nantucket Dreamland
Nantucket Land Bank
Nantucket Rotary Club
Nantucket Wine Fest
National Right to Food
Nantucket Cottage Hospital
Nantucket Public Schools
Pip & Anchor
Process First
Remain
Sara Campbell
Stop & Shop
The Green
Wadah Good Cause
WCAI

Nourish Nantucket is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to creating a food-secure Nantucket. We foster collaboration between island organizations to build an efficient, sustainable food security system — raising awareness, closing gaps, and ensuring every resident has access to nourishing food year-round.

Privacy Policy: Nourish Nantucket does not share its donor list, including email addresses, with other organizations or individuals, with the exception of annual report listings by giving category. However, we respectfully acknowledge the wishes of some donors to be listed anonymously. This list includes all gifts and pledges made during our 2025 fiscal year. We have taken great care to ensure the accuracy of this report, and offer our sincere apologies for any errors or omissions. Please contact ashley@nourishnantucket.org to make us aware of any changes.

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Spread the Word

Follow us on social media and share our mission.

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If your organization is working on food security, we want to collaborate. Reach out to foodhelp@nourishnantucket.org.



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