

Media Info Fact Sheet



The Purpose *Building to Feed Communities* is a major capital improvement project of Tarrant Area Food Bank (TAFB).

The Buildings *Building to Feed Communities* involves enlarging, renovating and improving the existing Tarrant Area Food Bank warehouse. This requires the construction of a new building for program and administrative staff who currently have offices in the existing facility.

The new Dorothy and Norman M. Kronick Building under construction at 2525 Cullen, Fort Worth, Texas 76107, is a project funded by *Building to Feed Communities* donors. Completion and occupancy are on schedule for 2015. The Kronick Building will be a two-story, 28,200 sq. ft. facility housing program and administration staff, community meeting space and a demonstration kitchen for nutrition and food safety classes.

TAFB's current facility at 2600 Cullen, Fort Worth is across the street from the new Kronick building. The TAFB warehouse facility will be expanded after program and administrative staff moves to the Kronick Building. Fundraising, expansion and renovations are anticipated to be completed by 2016.

The Need TAFB's warehouse needs equipment and technology updates, as well as additional space to receive and distribute canned goods and increasing amounts of non-perishables and fresh food. Fast and efficient distribution requires new equipment, freezers, coolers, racking and a Warehouse Management System.

By 2020, it is estimated that TAFB will need to be able to distribute 50 million pounds of food equating to 40 million meals every year. Currently we are distributing 32 million pounds equivalent to 27 million meals.

The Donors The Kronick Building has been made possible by a leading donation from the Fort Worth Foundation and significant gifts from a coalition of foundations that include The Amon Carter, Sid W. Richardson, Mabee, Paul E. Andrews, Ryan, and an anonymous donor.

Funding for the warehouse renovation will be solicited from individuals, corporations and foundations within our 13-county service area.

The Beneficiaries Hundreds of thousands of hungry children, seniors, working families, veterans and working poor benefit. Last year we served more than 460,000 clients.

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