

PROMOTING THE HEALTH

PEOPLE, COMMUNITIES, AND OUR PLANET ON BEHALF OF U.S. DAIRY.

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### Letter from the

### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Dear Dairy Community,

Fiscal year 2025 (FY25) was a milestone for the IDFA Foundation, as the organization completed its third year of successful grantmaking and fundraising marked by new partnerships and expanding relationships with allies including Feeding America, RISE Against Hunger, and our industry's dairy processors.

IDFA Foundation was fortunate to welcome a new director to its board last year. Dave Coble, Senior Vice President of Human Resource Systems and Strategy for Schreiber Foods, retired in 2024 and voluntarily stepped off the IDFA Foundation board. Dave was one of the first people I called in 2022 to serve on the board, and I want to thank him for his many years of leadership to our industry and for supporting the mission, launch, and overall direction of the Foundation. In Dave's place, we welcomed Israel Santiesteban-Barrientos, Senior Vice President of Supply Chain Management U.S., Schreiber Foods, who was nominated and approved by the board upon Dave's retirement. The IDFA Foundation is grateful to both Dave and Israel for their support and leadership.

Since 2022, the Foundation has provided more than 700,000 meals to food insecure people in the U.S. and around the world through financial support and coordinated food donations to non-profit hunger relief organizations, including several Feeding America food banks. Additionally, the Foundation has organized seven service events for IDFA and IDFA Foundation board members, hosting an average of 35 board members per event. Altogether, the Foundation has coordinated 4,075 hours of volunteer service, developed nine strategic partnerships with non-profits, and benefited from dozens of positive media stories highlighting the Foundation's service and contributions.

I am pleased to note that in FY25, the Foundation:

- Led four successful volunteer service events in the cities of Savannah, Ga., Washington, D.C., Madison, Wis., and San Antonio, Texas.
- Awarded three grants to Second Harvest Coastal Georgia in Savannah, RISE Against Hunger, and San Antonio Food Bank to reduce hunger in communities.
- Coordinated the donation of 5.5 truckloads of fresh, wholesome dairy products including 2.5 truckloads of milk, 1 truckload (35,000 pounds) of milk powder, and 2 truckloads of cheese, yogurt, and coffee creamers.
- Collaborated with 11 IDFA member companies to donate \$44,500 in total financial contributions to three non-profits, including a \$16,000 contribution from IDFA Foundation, or a nearly 3x multiplier effect.
- Organized the Foundation's second successful fundraiser, the IDFA Foundation Cornhole Tournament, which attracted 48 participants and raised nearly \$11,000 at Dairy Forum 2025 in San Antonio.

As the 2026 fiscal year continues to take shape, the Foundation will strengthen existing bonds and establish new partnerships to further its mission on behalf of U.S. dairy. We thank those who supported the Foundation in FY25, especially our donors and IDFA members. To learn more about the work of the IDFA Foundation and to follow its progress, visit www.idfafoundation.org.

Sincerely,

Matt Herrick, Executive Director, IDFA Foundation

Matt Herrick



The IDFA Foundation provides grants and awards to support individuals and organizations working to advance human health and nutrition, improve environmental stewardship and sustainability, and enhance the welfare of people working in food manufacturing.

Nutrition, Health, and Wellness:

The IDFA Foundation provides grants to reduce hunger, improve food security, and help families access healthy, affordable nutrition.

Environmental Stewardship and Sustainability:

The IDFA Foundation provides grants to support solutions, innovations, and ideas that advance the food, beverage and agriculture industry's commitments toward environmental stewardship and sustainability.

Diverse, Equitable, Inclusive Workforce and Developmental Opportunities:

The IDFA Foundation provides grants to support efforts to attract and retain a diverse, equitable, and inclusive workforce within the food, beverage, and agriculture industry, as well as opportunities for education, training, and accreditation.



## GRANT #7: SECOND HARVEST OF COASTAL GEORGIA

\$7,015

68,775 Meals

On May 6, 2024, the IDFA Foundation presented a charitable grant to Second Harvest of Coastal Georgia for \$7,015 to enable the food bank to provide approximately 35,000 meals to those in need. In 2023, the food bank distributed 19 million meals alongside its 230+ partner organizations to respond to the needs of the more than 2.3 million people in Georgia who struggle with hunger, including one in six children. Further, 60 IDFA board members and staff volunteered to pack approximately 3,000 meals for child nutrition programs and sort food for additional outreach, and several IDFA member companies donated an additional \$3,000 to make a combined financial contribution of \$10,000. Additionally, one IDFA member collaborated with the IDFA Foundation to donate a truckload of shelf-stable, 1% lactose free chocolate milk to the food bank valued at approximately \$30,000.

Altogether, our service in the food bank as well as our donations should allow the food bank to provide more than 68,000 meals to people in Savannah and surrounding communities.



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\$7,015 Grant = 35,075 Meals

\$3,000 in Financial Contributions

provided by IDFA Members (equivalent to 15,000 Meals)

**3,000 Meals** packed by 60 Volunteers

1,615 Cases (22 pallets or 43,340 pounds) of Milk

donated by IDFA Members

68,775 Meals Total

To learn more about Second Harvest of Coastal Gerogia, visit www.helpendhunger.org



# GRANT #8: RISE AGAINST HUNGER

\$6,000

12,000 Meals

On October 7, 2024, the IDFA Foundation presented a charitable donation in the amount of \$6,000 to RISE Against Hunger. RISE Against Hunger is an international hunger relief non-profit organization that coordinates the packaging and distribution of food and other aid. The IDFA Foundation's contribution helped to provide approximately 12,000 meals to hungry people in developing nations, with a particular focus on undernourished children. Additionally, the IDFA Foundation coordinated a service event for 35 IDFA board members and staff who volunteered to pack the meals into boxing for shipping. In 2024, RISE Against Hunger positively impacted the lives of nearly 9.4 million people by distributing more than 54.3 million meals and procuring more than 2.1 metric tons of food for donation.











12,000 Meals Total

\$6,000 Grant

**3 Hour Service Event** 35 volunteers contributed their time to pack meals



### **GRANT #9: SAN ANTONIO FOOD BANK**

\$3,000

247,450 Meals

On Jan. 29, 2025, the IDFA Foundation presented a charitable donation in the amount of \$3,000 to the San Antonio Food Bank to address hunger in Southwest Texas. The San Antonio Food Bank is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that distributes millions of pounds of food to over 500 organizations in Southwest Texas.

The IDFA Foundation also worked with the food bank's staff and the dairy processing community to coordinate the donation of more than 3.5 truckloads of nutritious milk, cheese, yogurt, and coffee creamers. Donations of wholesome dairy were made by four dairy processing companies. Additionally, eight IDFA member companies came together to donate \$35,500 to the food bank. Altogether, IDFA Foundation coordinated \$38,500 in financial support and approximately 150,000 pounds in dairy food donations.

The combined donations will provide more than 247,000 meals to food insecure families throughout Southwest Texas.

The San Antonio Food Bank handled more than 91 million pounds of food in 2023, receiving the equivalent of a semi-trailer full of food every hour. San Antonio Food Bank partners with 671 non-profit organizations throughout 29 counties in Southwest Texas, serving families from Atascosa to Zavala Counties.



\$3,000 Grant = 15,000 Meals



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\$35,000 in Financial Contributions

provided by IDFA Members (equivalent to 177,500 Meals)

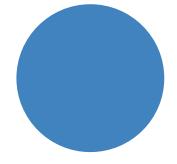


151,690 Pounds (77 Pallets) of Nutritious Milk, Cheese, Yogurt & Coffee Creamers

donated by IDFA Members



247,450 Meals Total



To learn more about the work of the San Antonio Food Bank, visit www.safoodbank.org



# IN-KIND AND OTHER CHARITABLE ENGAGEMENTS

On June 25, 2024, the IDFA Foundation coordinated with non-profit partners in Madison, Wis. to support two charitable endeavors:

1. The Foundation partnered with Wild Warner, Inc. and Dane County Parks to coordinate a 2.5-hour service event for 25 volunteers at Madison's Warner Park. Wild Warner is an organization created to preserve and maintain Warner Park. The IDFA Foundation volunteers removed trash, cleared brush, cut back invasive plant species, and beautified pedestrian and bicycle trails throughout the park and Duck Pond. "This visit from the IDFA Foundation volunteers was an enormous help!" said Kathlean Wolf, Wisconsin Master Naturalist Volunteer and Volunteer Coordinator for Wild Warner, Inc. "Wild Warner and the City of Madison are so grateful for the hard work of the IDFA volunteers. They dug out a significant amount of invasive burdock plants from our old-growth wood, which is a huge help in our restoration projects this year. And their work of planting elderberry bushes and beautiful native wildflowers will be appreciated for many years to come."



#### To learn more about Wild Warner, visit www.wildwarnerpark.org

2. The IDFA Foundation visited Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin to recognize a donation of 200 cases (4,000 pounds) of American Swiss sliced cheese by Associated Milk Producers Inc. (AMPI), the nation's largest cheese cooperative owned by families who produce quality milk on Midwest dairy farms. According to Feeding America, more than 617,000 people in the state of Wisconsin and more than 100,000 people in the Madison area struggle with hunger every day. In 2023, Second Harvest of Southern Wisconsin and their partners distributed 19.7 million meals across a 16-county service area. The donation should provide at least 16,000 servings of wholesome, nutritious cheese slices to families in need. "Large donations of delicious and nutritious food like this one from AMPI are key to our ability to do our work. It's yet another example in our long history with the local farming community of their generosity and commitment to feeding area families," said Michelle Orge, President & Executive Director of Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin.

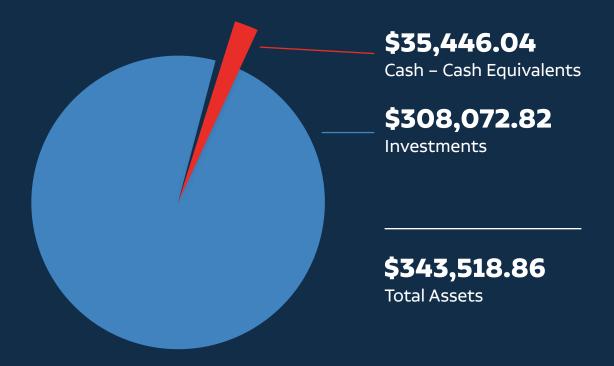
To learn more about Second Harvest Foodbank of Sourthern Wisconsin, visit www.secondharvestsw.org

In January 2025, the IDFA Foundation facilitated the donation of 765 bags of nutritious milk powder. IDFA Foundation was contacted by KLC Global Services about a stranded truckload of milk powder originating from California Dairies, Inc. IDFA Foundation coordinated with KLC Global Services, Feeding America, and El Pasoans Fighting Hunger to get the shipment to individuals in need of wholesome dairy products in the El Paso area. Altogether, the shipment contained 765 bags or 34,425 pounds of Grade A Nonfat Dry Milk Powder. The donation has the potential to provide up to 550,800 individual servings of dairy, or more than 34,000 gallons of fresh milk, to individuals in need.

To learn more about El Pasoans Fighting Hunger Food Bank, visit www.elpasoansfightinghunger.org

### Summary of

### **IDFA FOUNDATION'S FINANCES – FEB. 28, 2025**



Total Liabilities & Net Assets, End of Year: \$343,518.86

# \$17,639.00

Donations Collected in FY25

# \$16,015.00

Grants in FY25



