



Annual Report

South Dakota Sportsmen Against Hunger

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According to Feeding America and the Map the Meal Gap 2020 report, one in nine individuals in South Dakota are food insecure and even more startling is that one in six children in our state do not know where their next meal will come from. Since the COVID-19 pandemic began, it is estimated that the need for charitable food assistance has more than doubled across our state to help fill household meal gaps. And many of our South Dakota neighbors have asked for help for the very first time.

This is a time of great need for those who do not have adequate and regular access to healthy food. Access to fresh meat has always been limited; donated meat is very difficult to obtain. Game meat is a great resource as it has nutritional value in having low fat and high protein content. This fiscal year, Sportsmen Against Hunger collected **33,210 pounds of game meat** to distribute to individuals and families in need throughout our state.

This year's success did not come without its challenges. The pandemic forced some processors to restrict butchering to domestic animals only. Also, Sportsman Against Hunger implemented Chronic Wasting Disease testing on all deer harvested west of the Missouri River. This additional testing does complicate the meat donation process to some degree and so we encourage you to call 800-456-2758 or visit feedtheneedsd.com for detailed donation instructions as well as to find a list of processors nearest you.

Sportsmen Against Hunger in South Dakota celebrates a milestone of 30 years! We held our first meat drive in Rapid City in the fall of 1991, and it has grown into a successful statewide program with the help of great partners, processors, and generous donors. We have yet to see how the pandemic will affect donations of game animals this season, but we hope to reach another milestone of one million pounds!

There are many ways to support SAH:

- Donate game using our Processing Certificate Program for antlerless deer, pronghorn, and Canada geese.
- Donate antlered game and pay the processing fee (SAH can only pay to process does).
- Donate cash during your application process on the Game, Fish, and Parks webpage.
- Donate to a "Clean Out Your Freezer" food drive. SAH can take commercially processed game to Feeding South Dakota. We also have locations that will take home processed game. Please contact SAH if you have game or other meats in your freezer that you want share.
- Visit feedtheneedsd.com for other ways to contribute.

The South Dakota Sportsmen Against Hunger Board of Directors, along with the many South Dakotans that benefit from this program, would like to thank you for donating meat and funds to support our efforts to help end hunger in South Dakota. We would also like to thank the meat processors, Feeding South Dakota, and the South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks organization. Without them, this program would not succeed.

Jeff Olson
President, South Dakota Sportsmen Against Hunger



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About SDSAH

South Dakota Sportsmen Against Hunger (SDSAH) helps to fund and promote the donation of wild game and fish to families in need throughout South Dakota. It is a successful partnership between hunters and anglers, the South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks, Game, Fish and Parks Commission, SDSAH, Feeding South Dakota and participating meat processors and food pantries.

SDSAH game donations by sportsmen and women include not only deer, as a primary program, but also include donation of antelope, elk, Canada geese, fish, and pheasant. The variety of donated game meat and fish is very much appreciated by families in need who receive it, as indicated by testimonials from food pantries which distribute the meat. The total amount of game meat donated this past year from all sources was 33,210 pounds which translates into 132,840 meals of meat.

Testimonials



Thank you so very much for your wonderful donation of venison. Our clients are always happy to get fresh meat.

We greatly appreciate your kindness and thoughtfulness in remembering this home mission. May the Lord bless you for your generosity and faithfulness to our communities. Thank you again.

Sincerely,
Penny Ihnen and Sherry Wurtz
Co-Directors
Tri-County Good Samaritan Center
Redfield, SD



The Hyde County Food Pantry, Backpack Program, and Thrift Store sincerely appreciates your generous gift! Thanks for the fish.

Hyde County Food Pantry
Highmore, SD

Check-off Program

Hunters are to be recognized for donating funds to SDSAH through the Department of Game, Fish and Parks hunting license application check-off Program. In recent years these funds have helped SDSAH cover the cost of the Processing Certificate Program in which hunters may use processing certificates available from SDSAH game processors to pay most or all of the cost of processing donated antlerless deer, doe/fawn antelope and Canada geese.

Credit goes to hunters who paid the full or reduced cost of processing other donated game such as buck deer, buck antelope, and pheasants. The donated funds have also been used towards the costs of salvage processing of confiscated game, deer taken in city deer reduction programs, etc.

Success of SDSAH can be attributed not only to hunters who donated but also game processors who have participated in SDSAH and provided incentive to hunters to donate by reducing the cost of processing donated game. When coupled with the SDSAH Processing Certificate Program there was often no cost to the hunter.

This past year the 39 game meat processors who cooperated with SDSAH were also instrumental in delivering processed meat to Feeding South Dakota food banks and to local food pantries which then provided the meat to families in need.

Major Donors

We extend our gratitude to the following major donors who supported SDSAH this past fiscal year. Without their support, this program would not be possible.

We would also extend our thanks to sportsmen for donating game animals and for their contributions through the Check-off Program.

- South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks
- First Premier Bank
- LC Beer LLC
- Izaak Walton League
- Calvin and Kathleen Youel
- Walmart Spearfish
- RRR Elmen Foundation
- First Interstate Bank
- Glen R Janssen Memorial

SDSAH corporate processors play a vital role in the success of the Processing Certificate Program. We would like to recognize them for their support and generosity.

Alexandria Locker	Alexandria
Economy Meat Market	Bath
Integrity Meats	Belle Fourche
Bruce Market	Bruce
Gregory County Locker	Burke
Chamberlain Locker	Chamberlain
DeHaai Game Processing	Chamberlain
Dakota Butcher	Clark
Dan's Last Shot	Colome
Top Pin Archery	Custer
Elkton Locker	Elkton
Gosch Meat Market	Glenham
Great Frontier Meats	Hecla
Headhunters Meats	Highmore
Huron Custom Meats	Huron
LemmonMade Butcher Shop	Lemmon
O' Mill Meats	Milbank
Waldner Specialty Meats	Milbank
Central Processing	Miller
Mitchell Lockers	Mitchell
Westside Meats	Mobridge
Tri-County Locker	Newell
The Meat Shop	Nisland
Brock's Butcher Block	Onida
Philip Custom Meats	Philip
Cutting Edge Meats	Piedmont
Steamboat Game & Fish	Pierre
Platte Locker Plant	Platte
Spilde Quality Meats	Rapid City
Western Buffalo Company	Rapid City
Renner Corner Locker	Renner
Feterl's Meats	Salem
Horton's Processing	Sisseton
The Butcher Shop	Spearfish
Lee's Meats & Sausages	Tea
Dakota Butcher	Watertown
Jorgenson Meat Processing	Waubay
Mid Dakota Meats	Winner
Steiner's Locker Service	Yankton

Financials

South Dakota Sportsmen Against Hunger relies on donations and grants from corporations, businesses and individuals to help fund its programs. The South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks provides over \$32,000 of in-kind contractual services support for operating SDSAH. The Department also provides and administers a voluntary checkoff option on its hunting and fishing license applications whereby hunters and anglers can make voluntary contributions to SDSAH when they purchase those licenses.

Donations and checkoff funds received are spent on processing costs, with minor amounts on other categories as noted in the statement below. For more information on how to donate, see our website at feedtheneedsd.com, or you can complete the donation form below and mail it directly to us with your donation.

SOUTH DAKOTA SPORTSMEN AGAINST HUNGER

Annual Income/Expense Statement

For Period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020

INCOME

GAME, FISH AND PARKS GRANTS	\$	33,183.54	
HUNTERS CHECKOFF FUNDS	\$	25,954.67	
DONATIONS	\$	8,227.97	
INTEREST	\$	-	
RECEIVABLES	\$	23,807.21	
TOTAL INCOME			\$ 91,173.39

EXPENSE

PROCESSING COSTS FOR ANIMALS	\$	(30,983.05)	
CONTRACT SERVICES	\$	(33,248.66)	
POSTAGE	\$	(461.00)	
OTHER EXPENSE	\$	(3,816.47)	
LICENSES/FEES/PERMITS	\$	-	
PRINTING	\$	(1,201.28)	
INSURANCE	\$	(1,000.00)	
PAYABLES	\$	(173.88)	
TOTAL EXPENSES			\$ (70,884.34)

YEAR TO DATE PROFIT/LOSS \$ 20,289.05

(Unaudited - Accrual Basis)

SD Sportsmen Against Hunger Donation Form

Yes! I want to support Sportsmen Against Hunger in South Dakota in combating hunger by making a monetary donation of funds to help pay processing costs for donated game animals.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Contact Information:

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Complete this form, include payment and mail to:
SD Sportsmen Against Hunger, PO Box 1172, Pierre SD 57501