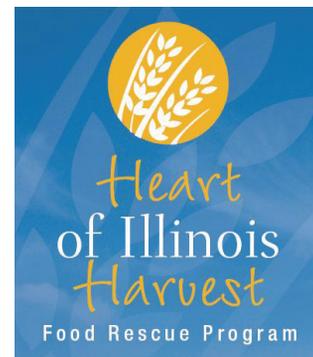


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Heart of Illinois Harvest, a not-for-profit food rescue program which serves the Tri-County Area, was founded in 1992. HOI Harvest was the first Harvest chapter in the state of Illinois and the 52nd chapter nationwide.

Six days a week, surplus food is transported to local food agencies for free distribution to those in need. In 2016, HOI Harvest transported on average 8.5 tons of donated edible food each week. Donations from over 60 different food donors were transported to 50 local rescue agencies, family agencies, shelters and food pantries.

Heart of Illinois Harvest is powered by 70-plus volunteers, its Board of Directors and in-kind service providers. Our commitment to eliminate waste of much-needed food helps many organizations lower their food budgets and fund additional services.

2017 marks the 25th anniversary of Heart of Illinois Harvest serving Central Illinois.

HOW TO HELP

Heart of Illinois Harvest needs people who want to make a difference in our community:

Be a volunteer. Three volunteers ride in our truck six days a week during the mornings (CDL license not required.) In addition, other volunteers use their own vehicles to transport donated food when there are special requests for food pick-ups.

Organize a food drive. HOI Harvest will transport the collected non-perishable food products to our local agencies for distribution.

Make a monetary donation. With rising demand and increased delivery areas, financial assistance is critical to our existence. Donations help fund gasoline, insurance and maintenance costs for our vehicles. We do not receive state funding; we do not receive United Way funding. We are completely funded by personal donations from the public and grant funds.

Mission

To end hunger in our own backyards and keep much-needed food from the landfills.

Vision

Heart of Illinois Harvest is powered by its volunteers, board of directors and in-kind service providers—who are all committed to eliminating waste of much-needed food. With this additional food, many agencies are able to lower their food budgets and fund additional services.

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Upcoming Events

Strike Out Hunger! Celebrating HOI Harvest's 25th Anniversary
 HOI Harvest Night with the Peoria Chiefs
 June 8, 2017
 Dozer Park, Peoria