2026 Policy Priorities and Positions

Background

The Regional Food Bank continues to fight hunger through both immediate food assistance and long-term policy change. To end hunger, we must collectively advocate to advance policies that reduce barriers and increase access to food for our neighbors.

State Policy Priorities

Tier 1 – We actively work on these priorities.

- Increase access to nutritious food to the Regional Food Bank's network.
- Expand SNAP access and reduce administrative barriers.
- Strengthen child nutrition programs, including Summer EBT and school meal access.
- Advance economic security through:
    - Job training and workforce investment.
    - Living wage policies.
    - Addressing the benefits cliff, ensuring families don't lose vital support as their incomes rise.

Tier 2 – We work on these priorities in coalition with other organizations.

- Improve nutrition-health integration through Medicaid.
- Address transportation and housing barriers to food access.
- Support comprehensive policies that tackle the root causes of food insecurity.

Federal Policy Priorities

Tier 1 – We actively work on these priorities.

- Bolster support for federal nutrition and food distribution programs.

The Regional Food Bank opposes policies that:

- Cuts or restricts food assistance programs.
- Worsen the benefits cliff or reduce access to essential support.
- Reduce funding for services critical to the health and well-being of Oklahomans.