

COLUMBUS RECREATION AND PARKS SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM

Go, Lunch! is a city-wide program offering children free, nutritious meals and snacks at approximately **185 sites** throughout Central Ohio.

As the largest free, summer meal program in Ohio, **Go, Lunch!** will serve tens of thousands of meals to children from June through August. Led by Columbus Recreation and Parks, the program has been providing children with healthy meals in safe environments for nearly 50 years.

GO LUNCH!



HOW IT WORKS

Columbus Recreation and Parks Department partners with approximately 45 community organizations that host meal sites and ensure these children get nutritious, free meals. Partner organizations include Children's Hunger Alliance, Columbus City Schools, Mid-Ohio Food Collective, Columbus Metropolitan Libraries, YMCA, The Family Mentor Foundation and numerous churches and community centers throughout the city.

THE NEED



1 in 5

(NEARLY 500,000)

Children in Ohio

DO NOT HAVE ACCESS to sufficient and nutritious meals.

— FEEDING AMERICA

14th Hungriest State in the country.

1 in 8 Households struggles

to put food on the table.

1 in 4 Children & 1 in 7 Women live in poverty.

— BREAD FOR THE WORLD

2019

- More than **420,000 free meals** were served through **Go, Lunch!**
- **12,800 meals** were distributed on its busiest day.

2020

- 1 in 4 kids could face hunger this year due to the coronavirus. <https://www.nokidhungry.org/coronavirus>
- **Go, Lunch!** facilitates approximately **185 summer meal sites** throughout central Ohio with approximately **45 agencies** are partnering to help feed kids this summer.



HOW CAN I FIND A LOCATION NEAR ME?

- Check out the map of meal site locations on our website at www.GoLunch.club and click on the "Eat" tab
- Text "FOOD" to 877-877.



HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- **Host a meal site?**
Get in touch with foodoffice@columbus.gov
- **Spread the word by delivering flyers, brochures and by sharing social media posts?**
Contact Michele@IrvinPR.com
- **Donate time and treasure?**
Check out the Columbus Recreation and Parks Foundation and any of the **Go, Lunch!** partners found on www.golunch.club

GO LUNCH!

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