

Reimagining a Summer Without Hunger: Debriefing Summer Meals 2024 and Strategizing for Summer 2025



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REIMAGINING SUMMER MEALS



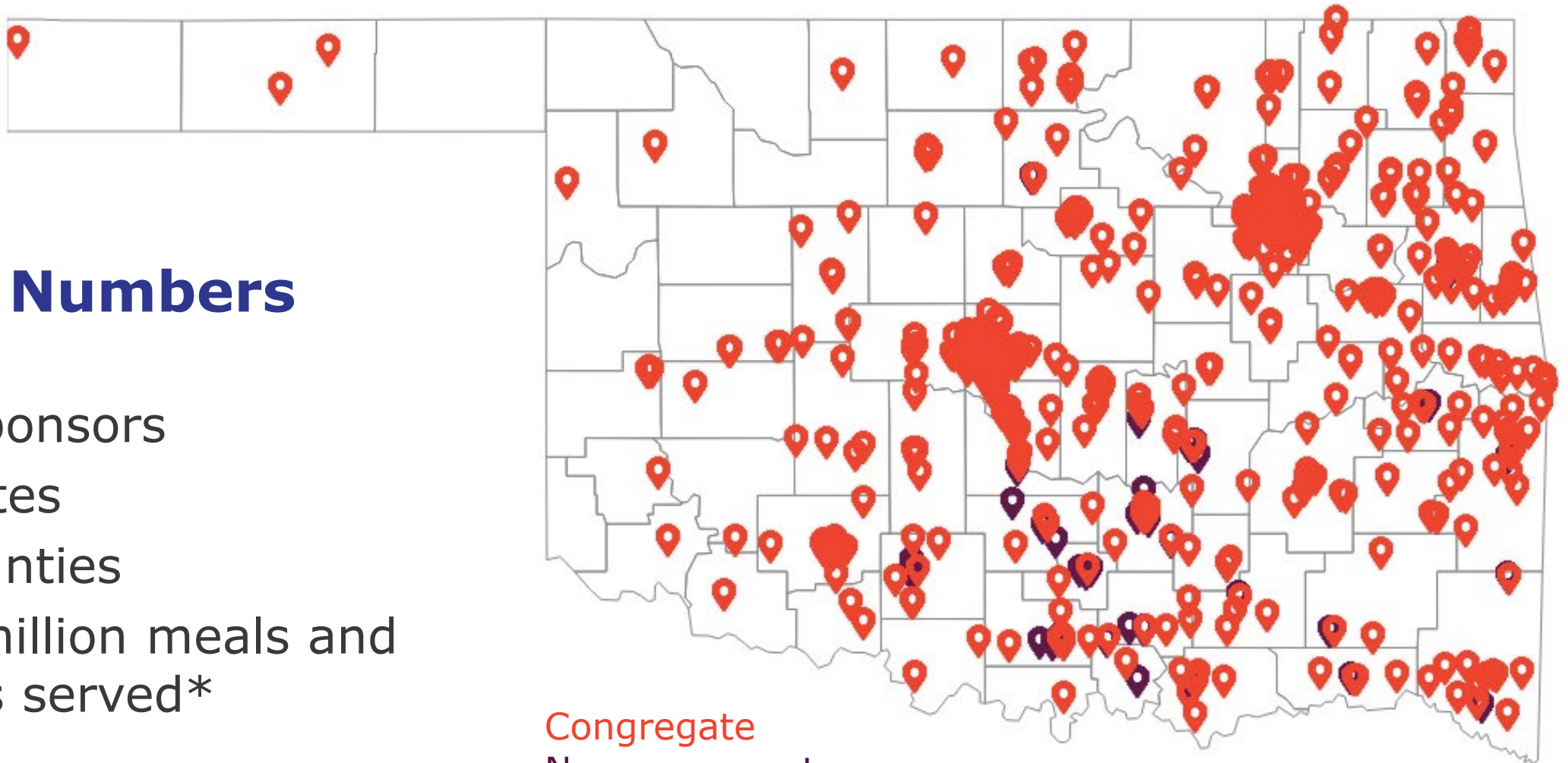
Today's Agenda

- 2024 Summer Meals Overview
- Panel Presentations and Discussion
- Questions & Answers
- Strategizing for 2025

2023 Oklahoma Summer Meals

By the Numbers

- 249 sponsors
- 733 sites
- 70 counties
- 1.93 million meals and snacks served*



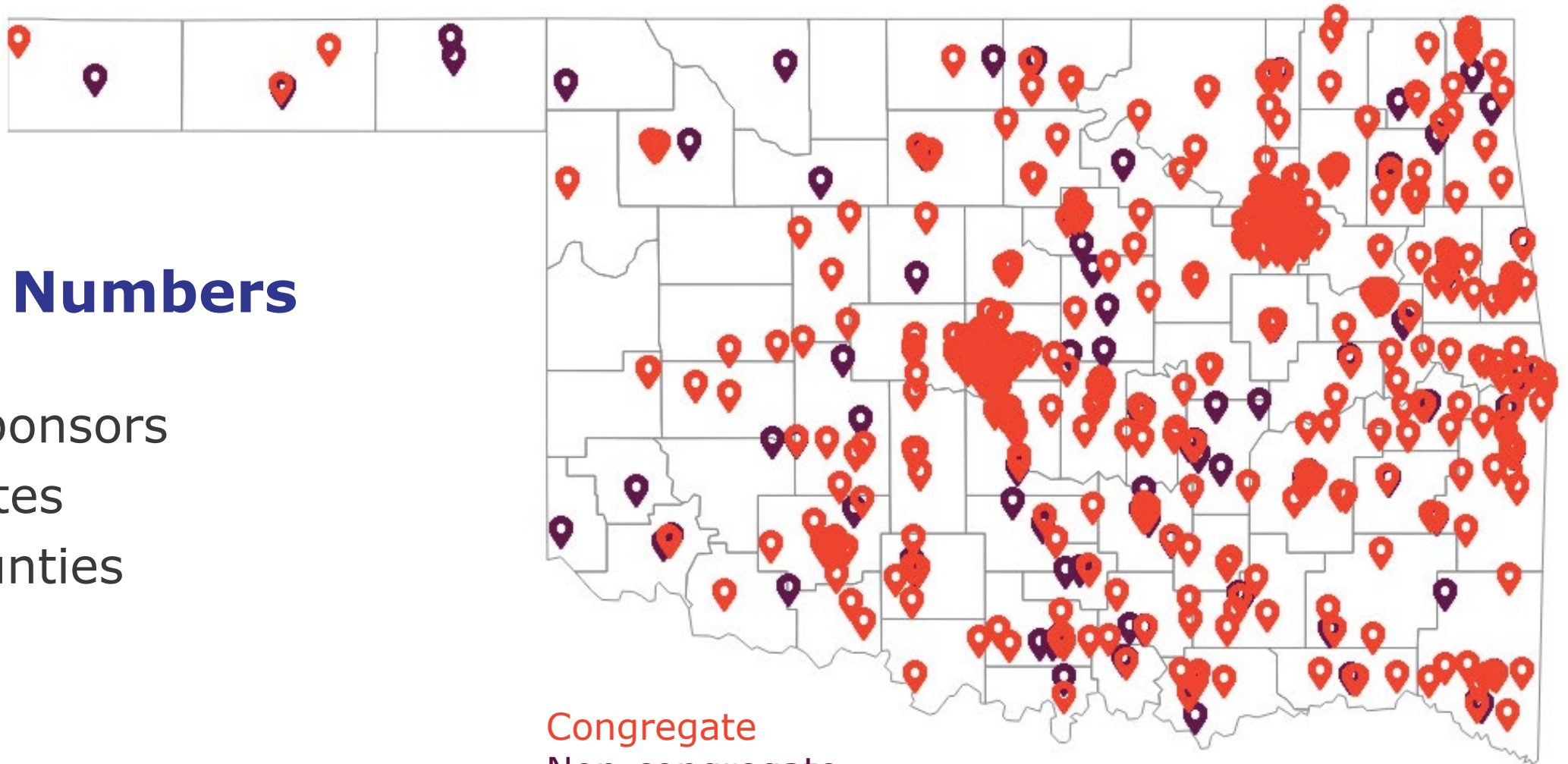
Congregate
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2024 Oklahoma Summer Meals

By the Numbers

- 249 sponsors
- 787 sites
- 74 counties



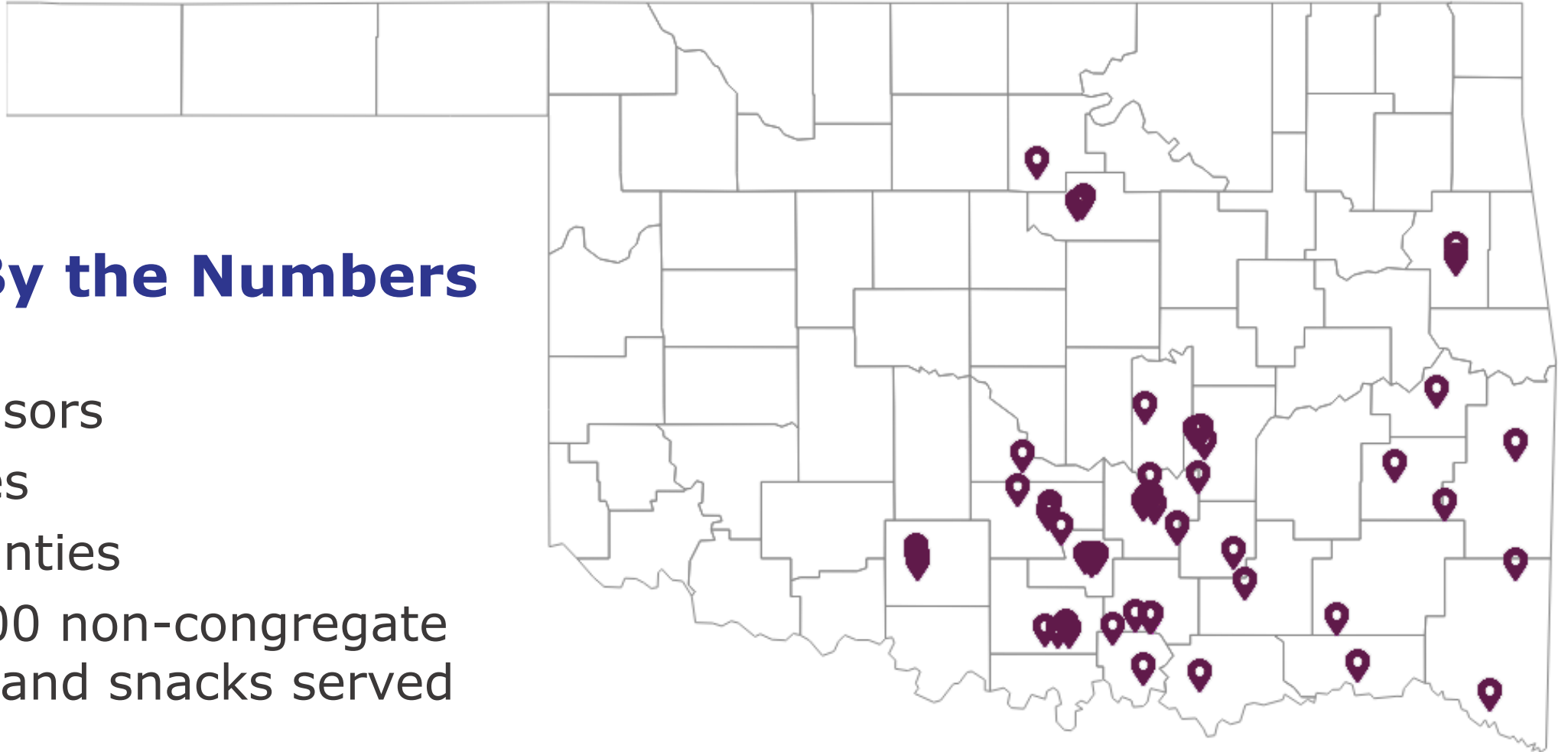
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Rural Non-congregate Sites

2023 By the Numbers

- 7 sponsors
- 55 sites
- 22 counties
- 431,000 non-congregate meals and snacks served

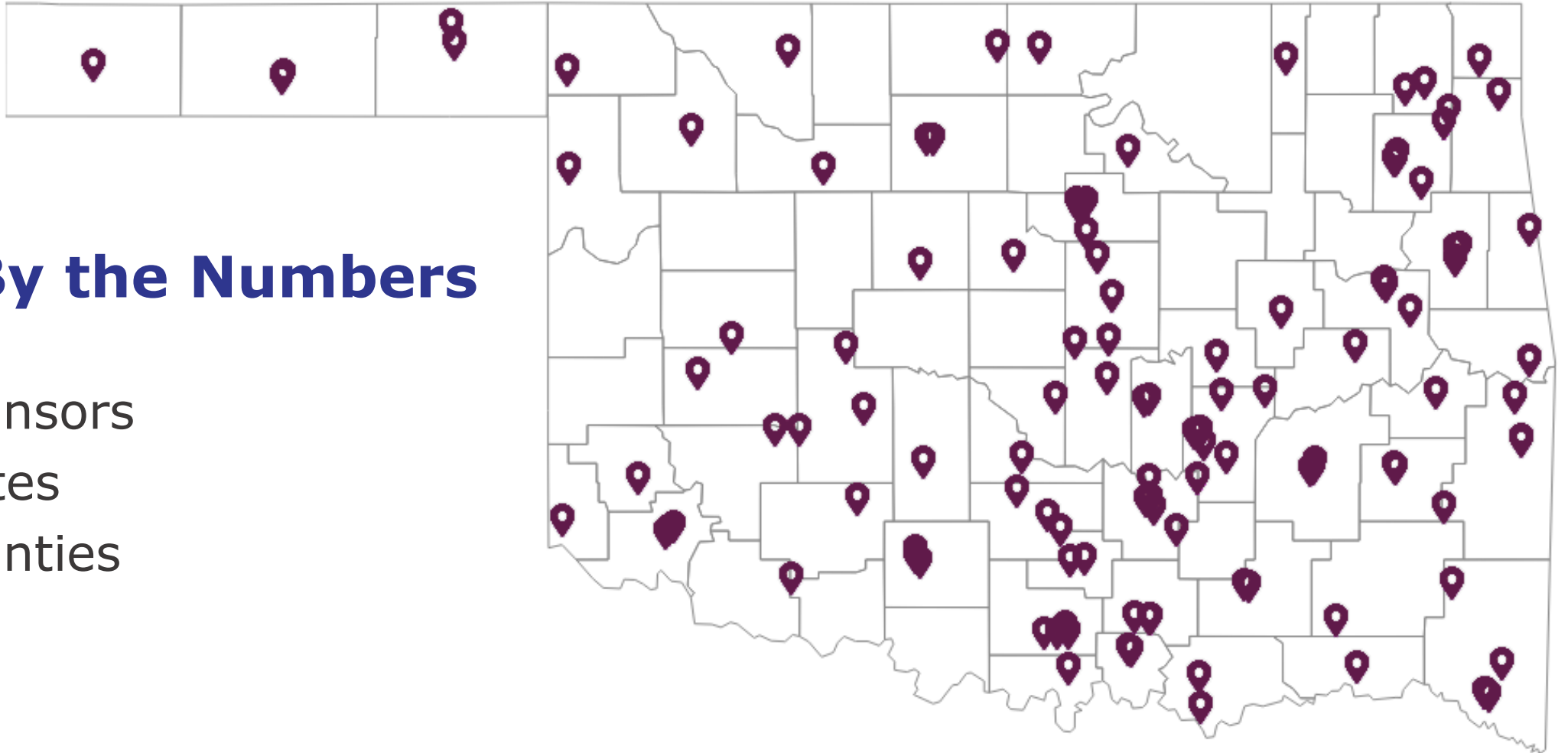


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Rural Non-congregate Sites

2024 By the Numbers

- 13 sponsors
- 128 sites
- 59 counties



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Non-congregate Meal Service

Permanent option in SFSP and SSO

Can only operate in areas designated
as rural by USDA

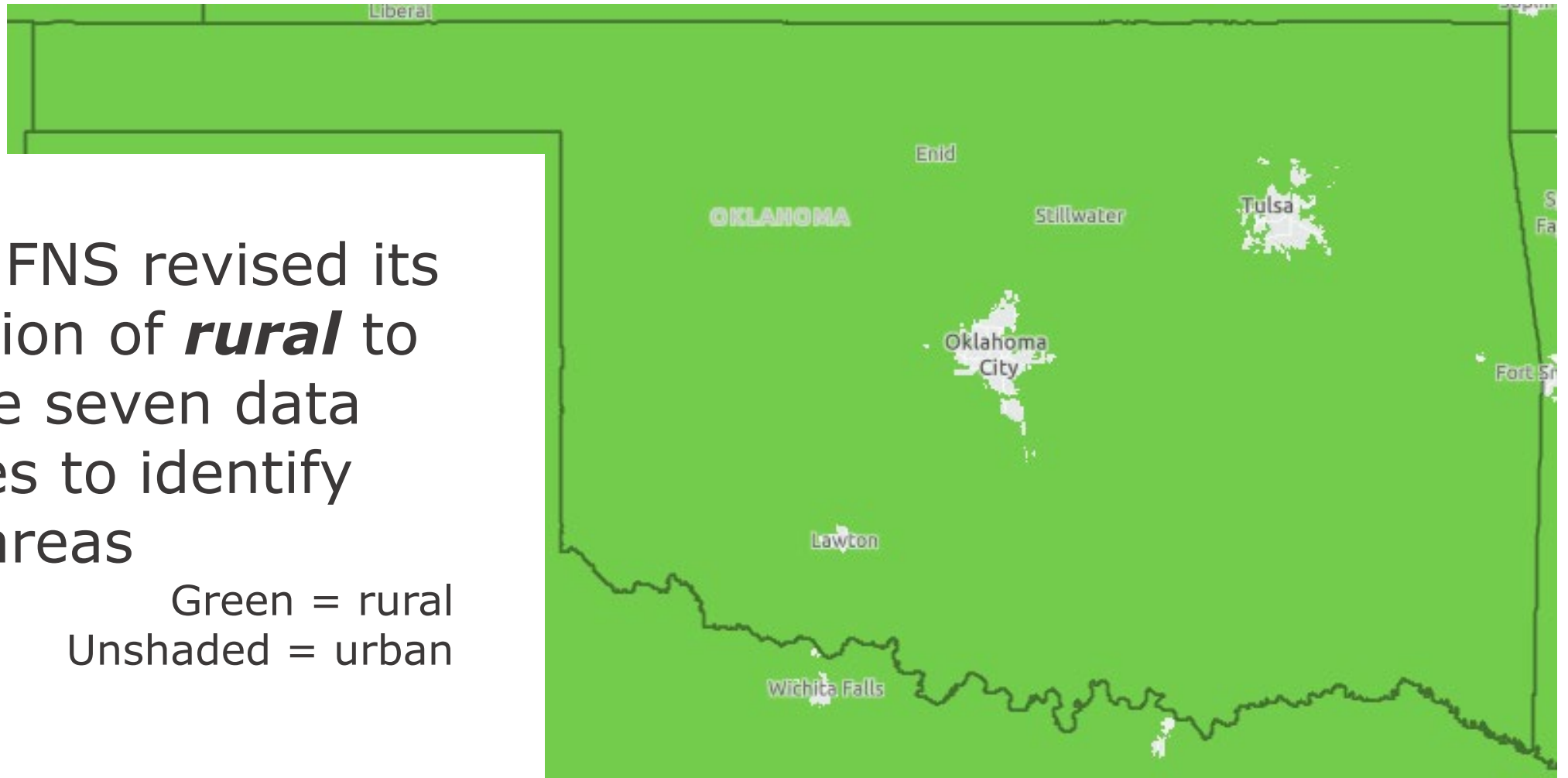
Meal pick-up and home delivery
options

Sites can serve meals for multiple
days up to 10 calendar days

2024 USDA Rural Designation

USDA FNS revised its definition of *rural* to include seven data sources to identify *rural* areas

Green = rural
Unshaded = urban



Ways to Serve Meals

Meal Pick-up

- Grab-and-go
- Curbside service
- Take home backpacks

Home Delivery

- Completed by mail or delivery service
- Hand delivered by staff

Examples of Allowable Multi-day issuances

Once per week

7 days of meals picked up on Monday

Meals picked up by last name A-F receive 7 days of meals on Mondays. G-K receive seven days of meals on Tuesdays, etc.

Twice per week on Mondays and Fridays

4 days of meals picked up or delivered on Monday
3 days of meals picked up or delivered on Friday

Every two weeks

10 days of meals provided every other week on the scheduled day

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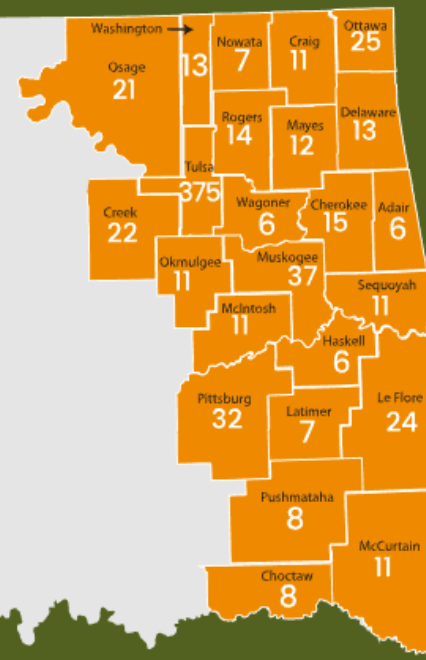


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The Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma serves 24 counties throughout eastern Oklahoma.



The Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma



The FBEO's Participation in SFSP 2024

Goals for non-congregate

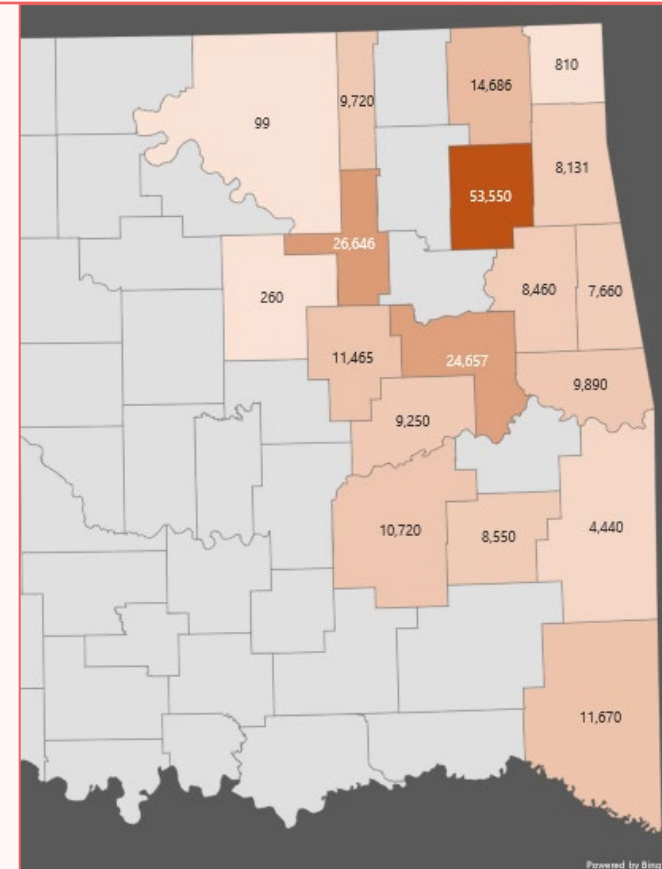
- We aimed to serve 150,000 non-congregate meals and a total of 200,000 meals.
- We aimed to utilize our existing network of partners to expand our reach in the rural parts of our service area.



Strategies and Implementation



- Utilizing our wider Food Bank Staff to conduct monitor visits, help with occasional deliveries, and overall, more involvement than in previous years.
- Conducting both in-person and virtual training options.
- Attending the Summer Feeding regional convenings.
- Using revised meal count sheets and recordkeeping collection strategies to limit the workload for us as well as our sites.
- Hiring a team of Summer Staff to keep the program running smoothly.



*Meals Served by county (congregate included)



What we learned

SUCSESSES

- Expanding our rural reach in non-congregate allowed us to serve 220,000 meals.
- Expanded to 18 counties from 8 last year.
- We had 26 non-congregate sites under SFSP this year and had 0 non-congregate sites last year.
- Community buy-in was incredible this year with so many amazing partners.

CHALLENGES

- Sourcing shelf-stable boxes was difficult to keep up with the high need.
- Unanticipated challenges required us to be flexible in updating our systems day to day.
- Certain areas we served had a shortage of sites which caused a strain on some partners as they had expected lower turnout.

Recommendations for Sponsors



- Start early and plan ahead.
- Keep open communication with OSDE and partners such as HFO to utilize all the available resources.
- Work with partners to determine underserved areas.

Goals for 2025

- Provide over 200,000 meals once again, while addressing and resolving challenges faced by our organization and partners.
- Expand to areas that we were unable to reach.
- Improve our systems so that we have the infrastructure to continue growing the program.



**Thank you for
your time!**



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Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma

- Mission
 - Lead a network that provides nutritious food and pathways to self-sufficiency for people facing hunger.
- Vision
 - An Oklahoma where no one goes hungry.

OUR SERVICE AREA

ALFALFA • ATOKA • BEAVER • BECKHAM
BLAINE • BRYAN • CADDO • CANADIAN
CARTER • CIMARRON • CLEVELAND • COAL
COMANCHE • COTTON • CUSTER • DEWEY
ELLIS • GARFIELD • GARVIN • GRADY • GRANT
GREER • HARMON • HARPER • HUGHES
JACKSON • JEFFERSON • JOHNSTON • KAY
KINGFISHER • KIOWA • LINCOLN • LOGAN
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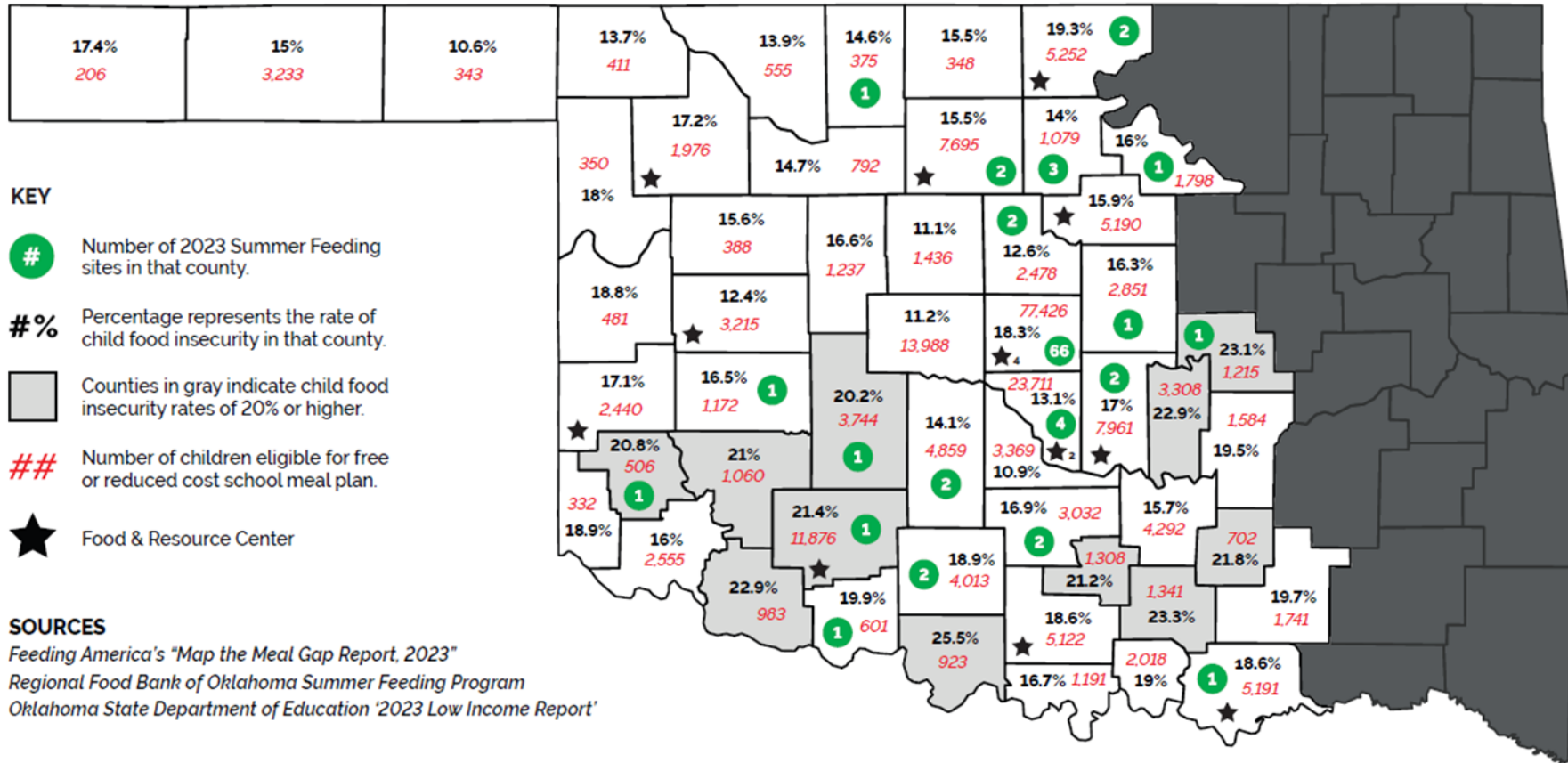




Summer Meals 2024 Overview

- Provided both congregate and non-congregate summer meals
- Partnered with 105 sites
- 492,000 meals (breakfasts, lunches, snacks and suppers)

Strategies and Implementation



January 2024

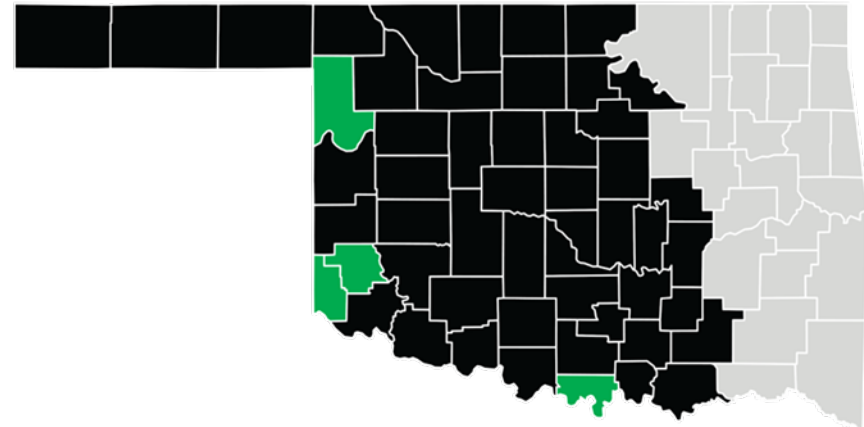
Counties in dark gray are served by the Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma.

Summer Feeding Highlights

- Mobile distributions
- Grab and go model
- Rural impact
- Quality of meals
- Partner diversity



Nearly 30,000 meals were provided to four underserved counties through mobile distribution.





Summer Feeding Challenges

- Staffing
- Navigating USDA program requirements
- Documentation
- Estimating number of meals needed
- Site monitoring
- Parent/guardian expectations
- Cost of errors

Summer Feeding Advice

- Maintain a positive attitude
- Build strong relationships with partners
- Use data
- Training and education are KEY
- Mishaps will happen
- Start planning early
- Lean on partnerships with other sponsors





Looking Ahead

- Strengthen and build capacity with SFSP 2024 partners
- Streamline documentation
- Add additional RFBO mobile sites



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Thank you!

Questions?



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