

# Volunteer Matters

The Food Bank's Volunteer Newsletter • Spring/Summer 2018

April is ...

## VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION MONTH

Thank you for your wonderful, ongoing support of the Food Bank.

## How You Can Help Us Serve Summer Lunch

Thousands of kids in Alameda County depend on their school's free or reduced-price lunch program to fuel them through their day.

But what happens when summer starts? Families who are already stretching to make ends meet often struggle to make up these meals.

That's why the **Summer Lunch Program** is so critical. All summer, children can enjoy a healthy, free lunch in more than 150 kid-

friendly spots across the county.

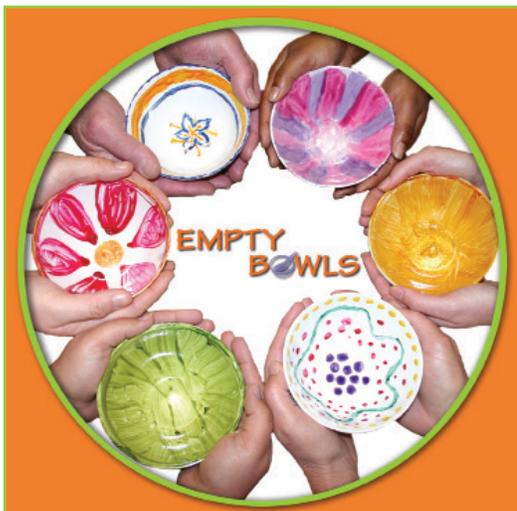
**The key to making this program run is volunteers.** ACCFB volunteers serve lunch five days a week at the Oakland libraries, and are vital to making sure kids have safe, welcoming places to enjoy lunch. (Complete with rows and rows of books!)

Training starts in June. We'd love for you or your organization to join! Get in touch at:

[summerlunch@acffb.org](mailto:summerlunch@acffb.org)



Summer lunch  
volunteers  
Nadine,  
Judith, and  
Pam



**Thursday  
May 17  
at 6 p.m.**

## SAVE THE DATE

Join us for a family-friendly evening of art, nourishment, and advocacy.

Enjoy a delicious soup dinner, bid in a silent auction featuring one-of-a-kind items and experiences, and take home a hand-painted bowl. **100% of the proceeds go towards our mission of ending hunger.**

For tickets visit [acffb.org/Empty-Bowls](http://acffb.org/Empty-Bowls)

# ADVOCACY, POWERED BY YOU



Advocates chant in front of the Capitol building on Hunger Action Day

The strength of our advocacy comes from our crew of powerful volunteer advocates, who continually tell their stories through testimony, phone calls, legislative visits, and more. Because of this work—your work—our team was recently honored as Legends in Feeding America's Advocacy Hall of Fame.

Join our ranks! **On May 16**, join us on the bus to Sacramento for **Hunger Action Day**, where we'll be meeting with elected officials to advocate for policies and that work to end hunger.

Visit [accfb.org/advocacy](http://accfb.org/advocacy) to get involved



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## VOLUNTEER EVENING OF APPRECIATION



Volunteers are core to our mission every single day. Let us show you how grateful we are for your time, energy, and expertise!

Join us for our **Volunteer Evening of Appreciation** on **Thursday, April 19 at 5:30pm.**

RSVP Required: [volunteer.rsvp@accfb.org](mailto:volunteer.rsvp@accfb.org)

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