

WHAT

data are we

collecting?

 WHY

are we collecting

this information?

Safe Data Guide

We are asking for your information to better understand the needs of our community and advocate for more funding and support for the work we do. This guide will help explain what data we are collecting, how we will use it, and our commitment to you to ensure great service.



Basic Data

The <u>name</u> and <u>contact</u> info for you and your household members.



Statistical Data

The <u>gender</u>, <u>ethnicity</u>, <u>age</u>, and <u>living situation</u> for you and your household members.



Program Eligibility

Household Info related to determining <u>eligibility for certain government</u> programs.



Dietary & Health Information

Your <u>health</u> <u>conditions</u> and <u>dietary restrictions</u>.



Improving Service

Electronic data collection helps us with our required reporting which means more time serving the community. This data also helps us understand our community and its needs. This means we can acquire and offer better resources, reduce food waste, make smarter decisions about how and where to allocate resources, and what additional programs we can offer that might support our community.



Advocacy

We are developing enhanced statistical data that helps us communicate the urgent needs of our community to those that support us. By doing so we receive more funding and support, which means more resources for our community!



PRIVACY

Your rights and our commitment to you.

- Our database and procedures follow industry standard practices to ensure your personal information is private and secure.
- Unless required by law, such as federal programs like TEFAP and CSFP, we do not share identifiable data with anyone.
- You may choose to opt-out of electronic data collection for certain government programs. We will collect information in an alternative format.
- Our mandatory reporting is <u>anonymous</u>, which means our reports only show aggregate statistical data about our community, <u>not</u> individuals.



Respect

- Outside of applying for federal programs or our basic mandatory reporting, you do not have to answer any questions you do not want to. Please kindly let our volunteers / staff know if this is the case.
- Your answers will not be used to discriminate or negatively impact the service we provide. We are committed to providing high quality service to <u>all</u> we encounter.
- Your first few visits may take longer than usual. We respect your time and are hoping to offer even better service going forward.



10% of Kansans still face hunger! This initiative will reduce food insecurity and hunger in Kansas!