



Sportsmen Against Hunger (SAH) 2013 Final Report

A program of the
North Dakota Community Action Partnership

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- Warehouse Grocery—Harvey
- Weber Meats—Reynolds
- K and E Meats—Cando
- Fairmount Locker—Fairmount
- Edgeley Meat Processing Plant—Edgeley
- Butcher Block Meats—Mandan
- S & K Processing—Minot
- Hickory Hut—Langdon
- Randy's Backyard Smokehouse—Park River
- Manock Meats—Great Bend
- Old Tyme Meat Shop—Belfield
- Reister Meats and Catering, Inc—Streeter
- Hazen Meats, Inc.—Hazen
- Casselton Cold Storage—Casselton
- Goldade's Processing—Devils Lake
- Maple Valley Locker Inc. —Enderlin
- Stanley High School—Stanley
- S and E Meats—Granville
- Engebretson Processing—Mohall
- Myers Meats and Specialties—Parshall
- Sundale Colony—Milnor
- The Butcher Block—Oakes
- M and M Sausage and Meats—Bismarck
- Millers Fresh Foods—Cooperstown
- West Dakota Meats—Bismarck
- Bosch's Meat Market—Linton
- 2K Meats and More—Beulah
- Yates Deer Processing—New England
- Dakota Packing—Hettinger
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- Valley Meats—Minot
- Seykora Processing—Kenmare
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- Valley Meats—Valley City

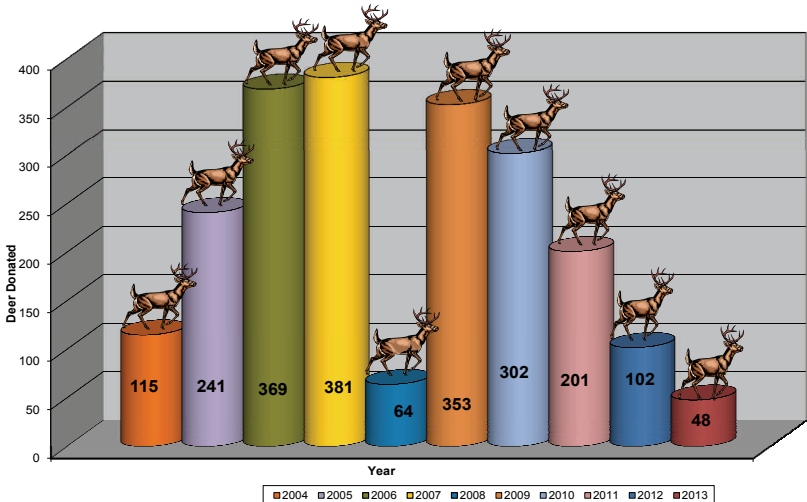


History

In 2004, the North Dakota Community Action Partnership (NDCAP) initiated a statewide public education campaign to encourage local community sporting groups to develop a venison donation program. This campaign began after completion of statewide needs assessments. Assessments indicated that hunger, or not enough food to feed themselves and their families, has been demonstrated by low income participants as being the biggest need they have.

2013 Deer Results

Deer were accepted throughout bow and rifle season. Sportsman Against Hunger program received a total of 48 deer this year, for approximately **2,100 pounds** of meat donated to food pantries across the state. Unfortunately, this is the lowest number of donations in the history of the program. But this was anticipated due to the declining deer population in North Dakota. The program will continue to accept deer donations in 2014.



**Interested in finding more information about the ND deer population and what you can do to help? The State Game and Fish Department has scheduled eight public meetings in February to discuss deer management in North Dakota. Department officials will present an overview of the current deer population and prospects for the future, and look for input on possible options for changes in the way deer licenses are allocated. Log onto www.gf.nd.gov for more information and meeting dates and times.*

Elk Reduction Program Partnership with Theodore Roosevelt State Park

The Sportsman Against Hunger program had the honor of partnering with the Theodore Roosevelt National Park in their elk reduction project again this year. Through this partnership the program received 39 elk. The SAH program secured funding through the ND Department of Commerce to have the elk processed into burger. Over **5000 pounds** of burger was processed. After processing the meat was distributed to food pantries and charitable feed outlets across the state of ND. This partnership has been in effect since 2011, with a total of 278 elk donated.



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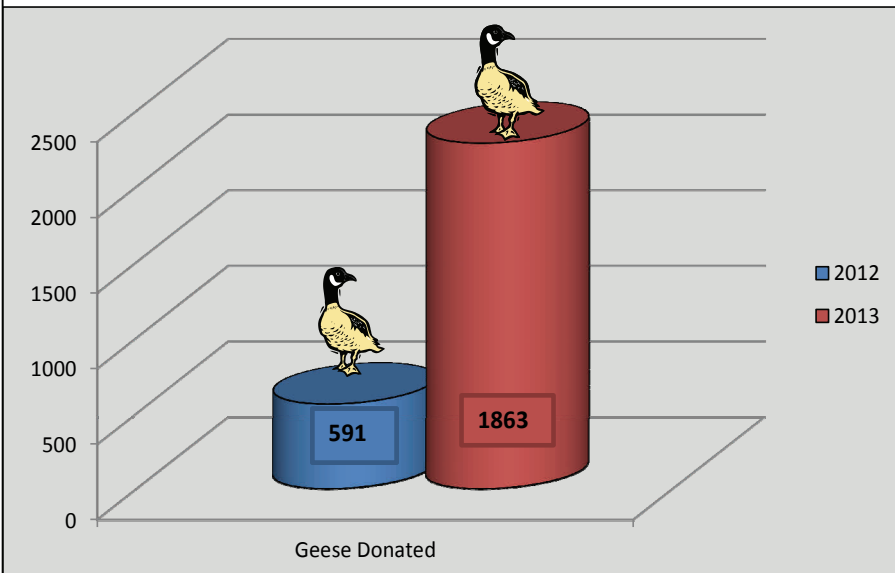
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2013 Goose Results

In 2012, SAH started a small pilot program to accept goose, this was well received and 591 geese were donated and distributed. In 2013, this took off and was very popular. Canada geese were accepted in the early fall season, and Snow geese were accepted throughout the winter regular season. An AP news article about the program was published nationwide, and the program was featured on NPR radio, NRA News on the Sportsman Channel, Valley News Live, Bakken Talkin radio show, and more. The donations of geese helped minimize the loss of meat to food pantries because of decreasing deer donations. A total of **1,863 pounds** of goose meat were donated to the program in 2013.



Goose meat is new to food pantries in this area, but has been accepted with success. Sarah at Community VI Food Pantry reported that 70% of people receiving food baskets took the goose breasts, and were provided with recipes to assist with preparation.

Other SAH Activity in 2013

- The Sportsman Against Hunger program also worked with ND Game and Fish to distribute meat from two moose, totaling approximately **400 pounds** of meat.
- Pheasants for the Future— Minot Chapter donated \$1000 to food pantries in Minot to purchase beef for distribution, seeking to help get meat in food pantries during the low deer donation time.

Total Donations

The Sportsman Against Hunger program facilitated a grand total of **9,363 pounds** of donated game meat being donated to food pantries across the state of North Dakota.

Thank You!

Thank you to all of our program partners, especially North Dakota Game and Fish, ND Department of Commerce, and Community Action Agencies across the State of North Dakota. Thank you to all of our partner processors, without them this program would not be possible. And finally, thank you to each and every person who has donated to this program!
Sincerely,
Sarah Hasbargen