

Kristin Warzocha
Greater Cleveland Food Bank President and CEO

Kristin Warzocha is the President and CEO for the Greater Cleveland Food Bank, Northeast Ohio's largest hunger relief organization. The Food Bank relies on community support to fulfill its mission of ensuring that everyone in our communities has the nutritious food they need every day.

She leads the organization's efforts to provide nutritious food and support to more than 1000 program partners that serve hungry Northeast Ohioans in six counties and champions the organization's mission.

She leads the Food Bank's new strategic plan focused on providing the highest quality, most nutritious food to anyone who needs it to keep solving hunger today, while helping people build food security for tomorrow by targeting the root causes of food insecurity.

Warzocha assumed her duties as CEO and President in November 2014 and has been with the Food Bank since 2000. In her previous role at the Food Bank, she was responsible for engaging the general public in the organization's work. She served as vice president of external affairs, overseeing fundraising, communications, advocacy, SNAP outreach and volunteer resources for the organization.

Warzocha managed the Food Bank's capital campaign, which raised more than \$10 million to construct the organization's current community food distribution center which opened in 2005. She was also a member of the management team that helped facilitate the mergers of the Food Bank with Food Rescue of Northeast Ohio and with the Greater Cleveland Committee on Hunger. The Food Bank now leads the annual Harvest for Hunger campaign, one of the largest community-wide food and funds drives of its type in the nation.

The Greater Cleveland Food Bank received the 2013 Mary Ruth Herbers SNAP Outreach Excellence in Food Banking Award from Feeding America, the nation's food bank network, for outstanding service. In 2006, it was named Food Bank of the Year by Feeding America. Also, in 2006, it received the Organization Innovation Award from the Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences at Case Western Reserve University.

Warzocha serves as Board Chair of the Ohio Association of Food Banks. She is an active board member for the Cleveland Leadership Center and In Counsel with Women. She serves on the Board of Visitors for Cuyahoga County Community College, on the Ending Hunger Committee of Feeding America, the national food bank network. She was also a founding trustee of the Camp Ho Mita Koda Foundation.

Kristin has a B.A. from John Carroll University and additional coursework through the Harvard Business School Executive Education programs in Governing for Nonprofit Excellence (GNE) and Strategic Perspectives in Nonprofit Management (SPNM). Warzocha lives in Lakewood with her husband, Christian, and daughters, Samantha and Ryan. She is a proud graduate of the Leadership Cleveland Class of 2010 and Cleveland Bridge Builders Class of 2002!