

Brampton Emergency Food System Map Glossary

System Map Level	Description
<p><b>Supply</b></p> <p>Main source of food that is streamed into the Brampton food system. The Supply level can be at federal, provincial and local levels.</p>	<p><b>Food Banks Canada:</b> Food Banks Canada is “a national charitable organization dedicated to helping Canadians living with food insecurity, but supporting a network of Provincial Associations, affiliate food banks, and food agencies that work at a community level to relieve hunger.”</p>
	<p><b>Feed Ontario:</b> Feed Ontario (previously called Ontario Association of Food Banks) is a provincial governing body of Food Banks Canada. Feed Ontario has a network of 130 direct member food banks and supports over 1,100 affiliated members across Ontario.</p> <p>Region of Peel Representatives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Knights Table (Brampton)</li> <li>• The Mississauga Food Bank (Mississauga)</li> <li>• The Exchange (Caledon)</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Agriculture Sector:</b> The food growing sector, which can include farms and community gardens.</p>
	<p><b>Distribution Centres:</b> A building or warehouse that stocks large quantities of food products to be redistributed to retailers, wholesalers and directly to consumers.</p>
	<p><b>Donations:</b> Quantities of food provided by private donors including individuals, corporations, businesses and retail establishments.</p>
	<p><b>Food Drives:</b> Charity functions implemented by an organization or group to collect food for distribution to individuals and families that need it.</p>
	<p><b>Fundraising Initiatives:</b> Organization-led functions or campaigns to build food stock through monetary or in-kind collection.</p>
<p><b>Distribution Hub</b></p> <p>Distribution hubs are organizations who regularly obtain large quantities of food from the Supply level to distribute locally to Food Providers, as well as share with each other. In addition to food distribution, Distribution Hubs also deliver programs and services directly to the community.</p>	<p><b>Knights Table:</b> Provides a food bank, hot meals and other services (including both food and social supports) to Brampton residents who deal with the daily issues of hunger, poverty and homelessness. Operates 365 days per year.</p>
	<p><b>Regeneration Outreach Community:</b> Provides hot meals, essential services (showers, haircuts, laundry, clothing), health care supports, community and social supports to people in Brampton. Operates 365 days per year.</p>
<p><b>Food Providers</b></p> <p>There are approximately 85* Food Providers operating at various capacities located in Brampton.</p>	<p><b>Food Providers receiving food through the Brampton Distribution Hubs:</b> There are approximately 70* Food Providers that receive food through Brampton’s Distribution Hubs. The Food Provider sector constitutes a range of groups and organizations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Organizations: Not-for-profit organizations with a focus on social and community service provision (including food) (e.g. Langar Seva Meal and Support Services, Punjabi Community Health Services)</li> <li>• Places of Worship: Religious groups that operate food-specific programs to serve the community (e.g. Bramalea Baptist Church, Redemption)</li> <li>• Schools: Schools that offer food-related programs to support students and their families</li> <li>• Social Housing: Social or Public Housing operations that receive food to distribute to their residents living in their housing community</li> </ul> <p>Some of these Food Providers also receive food from the direct Supply level through various fundraising activities and food drives.</p>
	<p><b>Food Providers receiving food from the Supply level:</b> There are approximately 15 Food Providers that are not associated with the Brampton Distribution Hubs that receive food directly from the Supply level.</p>
<p><b>Programs and Services</b></p> <p>Residents receive food through various programs and services delivered by Food Providers. Definitions of Programs and Services are based on the Peel Food Map definitions, found here: <a href="https://www.peelregion.ca/planning-maps/foodprograms/foodprograms.html">https://www.peelregion.ca/planning-maps/foodprograms/foodprograms.html</a></p>	<p><b>Breakfast Program:</b> A program that provides a prepared breakfast or morning snack.</p>
	<p><b>Community Garden:</b> Urban gardens for residents to grow fresh produce.</p>
	<p><b>Community Meal Program:</b> A site that provides free hot prepared meals.</p>
	<p><b>Food Bank:</b> A program that provides food to residents in their neighbourhood.</p>
	<p><b>Food Delivery:</b> A program that delivers food or a prepared meal directly to someone’s home; some programs have a fee.</p>
	<p><b>Food Education (Communal Cooking):</b> Programs that teach food preparation, cooking for free or for a nominal fee.</p>
	<p><b>Food Pantry:</b> A site which provides up to 2-3 days of food per visit.</p>
	<p><b>Multi-Service Program:</b> Sites that provide a food program and additional services; programs are free or for a nominal fee.</p>
<p><b>**Other:</b> Other programs and services not identified in any other category; this may include one-off food requests (e.g. agency community fair), annual/holiday functions (e.g. Christmas community dinner), and snacks (e.g. parenting program with snack break).</p>	

\*Based on reported numbers from Knights Table and Regeneration Outreach Community individually. Some agencies may receive from both Distribution Hubs and are therefore duplicated in the total number identified.

\*\* Not listed on the Peel Food Map; identified through consultations with Brampton Food Providers.