

- Cherokee County has a population of 55,159.
- There are 9,921 individuals living at or below the poverty level. This represents 18% of the population.
- There are 1,231 individuals 65 years and older living at or below the poverty level. This represents 13.3% of the older adult population.
- There are 3,269 children living at or below the poverty level. This represents 26% of the child population.

## Cherokee **County Distribution**

In 2023-2024, the Food Bank distributed over 88 million pounds of food and household items throughout our 24 county service region.

In the past year, the Food Bank distributed almost 1.6 million pounds to agencies in Cherokee County.

## Cherokee **County Partners**

The Food Bank supports 10 programs in Cherokee County including Iron City Ministries, Peach Center Ministries, Salvation Army, Cherokee County Meals on Wheels, and Senior Centers of Cherokee.

## **Child Hunger Programs**

The Food Bank supports 6 Backpack Programs in Cherokee County in conjunction with Midway Baptist Church.

## **Spartanburg Branch**

Cherokee County agencies are in close proximity to the Spartanburg Branch. This greatly reduces time and transportation expenses for Cherokee agencies to acquire food. This branch is now open 5 days per week.