



How it works?

We interviewed 5 local organizations across the sorting and distribution areas of the ecosystem. From analysis of their comments, we found four main areas of impact: operations & staffing, supply chain, financial and user-base. From these areas, we developed recommendations for the City of Montreal to help support the food-aid ecosystem in Montreal.

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Outcomes

Our recommendations focus on short and long-term actions that can be taken by the City of Montreal to help support the food-aid ecosystem. They all contribute to strengthening the resilience of our system, so that it can better respond to future crises after the COVID-19 pandemic has subsided.

Montreal Food-aid Ecosystem — COVID-19 Impacts

What is it?

As Montreal deals with the outcomes of the COVID-19 pandemic, the food aid ecosystem has encountered major challenges across the supply, sorting and distribution chain (see above). Through interviews with several local food banks, this paper demonstrates the short and long-term effects of the pandemic on food-aid, and makes recommendations on how the City of Montreal could help support the ecosystem.

What is new and distinctive about your project?

Montreal's food-aid ecosystem has never had to contend with a global pandemic, and COVID-19 hit hard and fast. We hope our paper can help better prepare the City of Montreal to future major events that may have a similar impact.

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Drive-through food basket deliveries