

# Casting a positive light on a program helping neighbors in need of food.

## PROJECT INFORMATION

**Program Participant**  
Maryland Food Bank, Inc.



**MARYLAND  
FOOD BANK**  
EASTERN SHORE  
UNTIL HUNGER ENDS.

**Location**  
28500 Owens Branch Road  
Salisbury, MD 21801

**Project Contact**  
Jennifer Small,  
Managing Director

**Technology**  
Interior and Exterior LED  
Lighting (Original  
Technology, T8 and T12)

**Estimated Monthly Savings**  
40,048 kWh  
\$4,806

Maryland Food Bank, Inc.  
is cash flow positive with

**\$400**

each month!

## Background

Since 1979, Maryland Food Bank has established a strong foundation as the state's central hunger-relief organization. Building partnerships with food retailers and working with large agencies, they have created regional distribution centers to serve Marylanders across the state. The food bank provides food to the over 682,000 Maryland residents who do not have enough to eat or who struggle to feed their families.

To keep costs focused on those in need, this community organization focuses on reducing operating costs and improving sustainability. More cost-effective lighting solutions are helping them achieve that mandate.

## Solution

Lime Energy worked with the Maryland Food Bank in Salisbury to offer, at no cost to the charity, an upgraded lighting system. These upgrades will save the food bank an anticipated 40,048 kWh of energy, resulting in total annual energy cost savings of \$4,805. The project replaced all the existing fluorescent and H.I.D. lighting at the Owens Branch facility. Lime Energy installed new LED panels throughout the offices. The project also included vapor tight fixtures in the refrigerated storage areas, linear high bays for the main warehouse, and pole lighting and wall packs for the building's exterior. The Rexel Corporation donated the materials and Lime Energy donated all labor and administration. These contributions completely covered the cost of the upgrade.

Lime Energy provided the Maryland Food Bank with a modern LED system that will save on energy costs, keep maintenance to a minimum and provide a safe and pleasant environment to continue service in their community. Lime Energy is proud to be a part of this project and gives thanks to all who made this possible.



*"In partnership with Lime Energy, interior and exterior lighting upgrades and improvements have not only helped enhance the look of our facility but reduced our out-of-pocket costs by more than \$30,000.00. As a non-profit organization focused on ending hunger in our state, this enables us to feed more families here on the Eastern Shore of Maryland."*

Jennifer Small,  
Maryland Food Bank,  
Managing Director



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