

Case Study

Feeding Tampa Bay

Opened in May 2024

📍 Tampa Bay, FL

215,000-sq-ft facility, including:

- 11,000-sq-ft kitchen and marketplace
- Walk-in coolers & freezers
- Bistro, empowerment community center, event space

Solution:



3x300 kW MPS
for redundancy and reliability



energy for powering a beacon of hope

For nearly 5 million people across 10 counties in the Tampa area, Feeding Tampa Bay is a daily resource for food assistance and opportunities to create a self-sufficient future. But its impact on the community is crucial during and after a major storm.

According to President and CEO Thomas Mantz, “We don’t have the luxury of not being here.”

To ensure their new, 215,000-sq-ft facility would have the reliable backup power needed at all times, Feeding Tampa Bay turned to Generac Industrial Energy and our partner, ACF Industrial Energy.

With the various scenarios of necessary load – from a marketplace and 11,000-sq-ft kitchen with multiple freezers, walk-in coolers and more – Generac and ACF worked closely with the design engineer to meet all the requirements.

After determining that a 900kW solution was right for the sprawling facility, the decision was made to offer our 3x300 MPS System, ensuring emergency power was at the ready. Especially in the face of hard-hitting weather.

“Probably the greatest compliment you can give to anybody is to say, ‘I trust you.’ We were able to trust Generac in a moment that our community was in crisis.”

Thomas Mantz

President & CEO
Feeding Tampa Bay

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Just a few months after the backup system was installed, Hurricanes Milton and Helene struck Florida. Grid services in the area were down for days, but Feeding Tampa Bay kept the lights on – and the food available to everyone counting on those meals.

“The Generac generators saved the day. They literally did,” said Senior Director of Facilities and Disaster Response, Jim Carpenter. “We would’ve lost hundreds of thousands of dollars-worth of food.”

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