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Publix Super Markets Charities Donates \$5 Million to Hunger Relief Organizations

Provides meals and hope to neighbors in need

LAKELAND, Fla., Aug. 28, 2019 — As part of Publix Super Markets Charities' ongoing support of hunger relief efforts and in recognition of September being Hunger Action Month, Publix Charities announced today it will donate \$5 million to Feeding America® member food banks, schools and other nonprofit organizations across the Southeast. The donation will support pantries and meal programs in the communities surrounding Publix stores and brings Publix Charities' total contribution to hunger relief organizations to more than \$22 million over the last five years. Throughout the day, Publix associates and leadership will visit 18 Feeding America member food banks and partner agencies in Publix's seven state operating area to volunteer and deliver contributions.

“Millions of people in the Southeast — many of them children and seniors — may not know where they will find their next meal. Together, we can help change that,” said Kelly Williams-Puccio, executive director of Publix Super Markets Charities. “We are proud to continue our commitment to feeding communities across the Southeast and offer dignity and nourishment to our neighbors in need.”

According to the USDA, 1 in 8 people across the U.S. struggles with hunger, including more than 9 million people in Publix's operating area.

“Every day, food banks in the Feeding America network are on the ground helping children and families who need it most, but we know that we can't end hunger alone. We are grateful to Publix and Publix Super Markets Charities for their long-standing commitment to fighting hunger in communities across the Southeast. Your donations will have a tremendous impact on the lives of people we serve,” said Claire Babineaux-Fontenot, CEO of Feeding America.

This year's \$5 million donation includes \$25,000 to Feeding America as well as gifts ranging from **\$20,000 to \$150,000** to each of the following member food banks:

Food Bank	Location	Donation
Alabama		
Community Food Bank of Central Alabama	Birmingham	\$150,000
Feeding the Gulf Coast	Theodore	\$150,000
Food Bank of North Alabama	Huntsville	\$100,000
Montgomery Area Food Bank	Montgomery	\$100,000
Florida		
All Faiths Food Bank	Sarasota	\$150,000
America's Second Harvest of the Big Bend	Tallahassee	\$75,000
Feeding Northeast Florida	Jacksonville	\$100,000
Feeding South Florida	Pembroke Park	\$150,000
Feeding Tampa Bay	Tampa	\$150,000
Harry Chapin Food Bank of Southwest Florida	Fort Myers	\$150,000
Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida	Orlando	\$150,000
Treasure Coast Food Bank	Fort Pierce	\$75,000
Georgia		
America's Second Harvest of Coastal Georgia	Savannah	\$100,000

Atlanta Community Food Bank	Atlanta	\$150,000
Feeding the Valley	Midland	\$50,000
Food Bank of Northeast Georgia	Athens	\$75,000
Golden Harvest Food Bank	Augusta	\$80,000
Middle Georgia Community Food Bank	Macon	\$75,000
Second Harvest of South Georgia	Valdosta	\$50,000

North Carolina

Action Pathways	Fayetteville	\$35,000
Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina	Raleigh	\$100,000
Inter-Faith Food Shuttle	Raleigh	\$50,000
MANNA Food Bank	Asheville	\$50,000
Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina	Charlotte	\$150,000
Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest North Carolina	Winston-Salem	\$60,000

South Carolina

Harvest Hope Food Bank	Columbia	\$150,000
Lowcountry Food Bank	Charleston	\$150,000

Tennessee

Chattanooga Area Food Bank	Chattanooga	\$75,000
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Second Harvest Food Bank of East Tennessee	Maryville	\$60,000
Second Harvest Food Bank of Middle Tennessee	Nashville	\$100,000
Second Harvest Food Bank of Northeast Tennessee	Greeneville	\$20,000
Virginia		
Feed More	Richmond	\$75,000

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About Publix Super Markets Charities

George Jenkins, founder of Publix Super Markets and affectionately known as “Mr. George,” believed in giving. From the day he opened his first Publix, he made sure his associates, customers and community were taken care of. In 1966, Mr. George established the Foundation with the vision it would continue giving long after he was gone. Publix Super Markets Charities remains committed to serving the communities in which Publix operates. To learn more, visit www.publixcharities.org.

About Feeding America

Feeding America is the nationwide network of 200 food banks that leads the fight against hunger in the United States. Together, we provide food to more than 46 million people through 60,000 food pantries and meal programs in communities across America. Feeding America also supports programs that improve food security among the people we serve; educates the public about the problem of hunger; and advocates for legislation that protects people from going hungry. Individuals, charities, businesses and government all have a role in ending hunger. Donate. Volunteer. Advocate. Educate. Together we can solve hunger. Visit www.feedingamerica.org, find us on [Facebook](#) or follow us on [Twitter](#).