



News Release

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Wells Fargo Holiday Food Bank Program Raises \$5,380 for Southeast Missouri Food Bank

Sikeston, MO (Feb. 4, 2020) – The Southeast Missouri community helped raise \$5,380 for local families in need through the Wells Fargo Holiday Food Bank program. In its third year, Wells Fargo engaged the public in its nationwide campaign to donate money and non-perishable food for local food banks and bring national attention to the issue of hunger.

In Southeast Missouri, one in six people struggles with hunger. Hunger also impacts one in five children in our community.

“Southeast Missouri Food Bank and its member agencies work hard every day to help people who may not know where they will find their next meal,” said Joseph Keys, chief executive officer at the food bank. “We are tremendously grateful to Wells Fargo and everyone in our community who helped to support the Holiday Food Bank campaign.”

Funds from the program will provide more than 21,500 meals to struggling Southeast Missouri families.

“Our customers and members of the community went above and beyond to help people in need this holiday season,” said Lynne Walters, head of Shared Services for Wells Fargo Corporate Philanthropy and Community Relations. “Their generosity is incredibly inspiring, and it underscores the remarkable impact we can make when we work together.”

Nationwide, the campaign raised more than \$6 million, and Wells Fargo team members volunteered more than 19,000 hours at hunger-relief organizations, including Feeding America member food banks.

To learn more about how you can join the fight to end hunger, visit www.semofoodbank.org/get-involved.

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About Southeast Missouri Food Bank

Southeast Missouri Food Bank provides food to 140 charitable and disaster relief programs in Southeast Missouri. The Food Bank's 16-county coverage area includes Bollinger, Butler, Cape Girardeau, Carter, Dunklin, Madison, Mississippi, New Madrid, Pemiscot, Perry, Reynolds, Ripley, Scott, Ste. Genevieve, Stoddard, and Wayne counties. Member agencies include food pantries, soup kitchens, domestic violence and homeless shelters, senior citizen programs, children's programs, and non-profit rehabilitation facilities. The mission of Southeast Missouri Food Bank is to end hunger and leverage the power of food to build a healthy community. Those interested in helping can do so by making a tax-deductible contribution, donating food, or scheduling a time to volunteer. Visit SemoFoodBank.org for more information.

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