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# News Release



## **Publix Super Markets Charities Donated \$160,000 to Assist Partner Agencies with Capacity-Building Cooler and Freezers**

### **Four Second Harvest Food Bank Agencies to be Presented with Funds**

**Charlotte, NC – November 30, 2025** – Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina was awarded a \$160,000 from Publix Super Markets Charities that will be distributed between four of the Food Bank's partner agencies located in counties with Publix Super Markets. This generous donation will assist partner agencies with much-needed capacity support – specifically coolers and freezers, which in turn will make more nutritious food accessible to the individuals being served by each agency.

**Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina has selected two partner agencies in North Carolina and two in South Carolina. Announcements have been scheduled as follows and media is welcome to attend:**

**December 3, 2025** – Presenting **HOPE in Rock Hill** with funds to pay for a walk-in cooler / freezer. HOPE is located at 504 Oakland Avenue, Rock Hill, SC 29730.

**December 22, 2025** – Presenting **Hickory Soup Kitchen in Catawba County** with funds to pay for additional freezer space. The soup kitchen is located at 110 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Place SE, Hickory, NC 28602.

**Two additional presentations will take place after the holidays to The Storehouse in Pickens, South Carolina** for a walk-in freezer/cooler, and a final agency location yet to be determined.

"At Publix, we believe it's not only a privilege, but a responsibility as a food service provider to help said our neighbors in need," and media relations manager, Jared Glover. "Publix Super Markets Charities is proud to support Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina in their commitment to end hunger with this donation."

"Publix Super Markets and Publix Super Market Charities, as well as their team members, have always played a key role in our goal to end hunger," said Kay Carter, CEO of Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina. Whether it is through grant awards or onsite volunteering, Publix is a wonderful example of a corporation and foundation who understand the need for nutritious food for children who are living in poverty. We are so thankful for their continued support."

If you are interested in attending one of the check presentations, please contact Donna Ragan, Donor Relations, Marketing & Communications Manager at [dragan@secondharvestmetrolina.org](mailto:dragan@secondharvestmetrolina.org).

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