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Amazon Donates \$10,000 to Second Harvest Food Bank to Help Alleviate Hunger for Local Families During COVID-19

News Release

Charlotte, NC, May 29, 2020 – Amazon today announced that it is donating \$10,000 to Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina, which serves 24 counties across North Carolina and South Carolina. The donation will help meet the surging need for food for thousands of local families that have been impacted by COVID-19.

"Local food banks are absolutely essential as we continue to see an increase in the number of people in need, and Amazon knows now, more than ever, that our local communities are counting on us to step up and support them during these challenging times," said Shannon Todd, General Manager of Amazon's fulfillment center in Kannapolis. "We're honored to team up with Second Harvest to do our part in providing food to local families impacted by this unprecedented health and economic crisis and bring relief in knowing where their next meal will come from, despite this time of uncertainty."

Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina projects Amazon's donation will provide funds for 400 food boxes that will feed a family of four across the 24 counties it serves in North and South Carolina. This donation will help Second Harvest's network of partner agencies provide healthy, shelf stable items, as well as fresh fruits and vegetables to families who need it most during this pandemic.

"We are grateful to receive this generous donation from Amazon, as it helps us stay focused on our mission," said Kay Carter, CEO of Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina. "This donation will help feed families whose children are missing school meals, seniors and immune compromised families who are being asked to stay home, as well as employees across our communities whose jobs have been impacted."

To learn more about how Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina is responding to the pandemic, visit www.secondharvestmetrolina.org. For more information on Amazon's COVID-19 response, including ways it is practicing safety within its facilities, visit its <u>blog</u>, which is updated daily.

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About Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina

As part of Feeding America, Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina serves 24 counties in North and South Carolina. In FY2018-2019, Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina distributed over 60 million pounds of food and household items to over 800 hunger feeding agencies including emergency pantries, soup kitchens, senior programs, shelters and low-income daycares. Follow the Food Bank on: Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/SHmetrolina/; Twitter: https://twitter.com/shmetrolina; Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/shmetrolina/; Linkedin: https://www.linkedin.com/company/35597092/admin/; YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCJRIJ-GBT19ucTx9hEuwPzg