



# News Release



## For Immediate Release

### Contact:

Donna Ragan, Marketing & Communications Manager  
704. 805.1724  
dragan@secondharvest.org

## **Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina Receives Grant from Bank of America to Help Feed Hungry Children, Seniors, Families and Veterans**

Charlotte, NC, June 26, 2020 – Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina, a local nonprofit organization that strives through education, advocacy, and partnerships to eliminate hunger by the solicitation and distribution of food, has received a grant from Bank of America to support our efforts to insure everyone in our community has enough to eat.

The Food Bank is working with our 800+ partner agencies (food pantries, soup kitchens, homeless shelters, low-income day cares, senior centers, and veterans assistance organizations), along with the local school system, to assess how we can best be of service at this time. Second Harvest partners with several groups, including families of children whose school meals will be missing during time of school closures, seniors who are being asked to remain safely at home, and individuals being affected by business closures and cancellations. In many cases, their clients are hourly workers, and any reduction in hours causes a tremendous burden. Since mid March, the Food Bank has packed and distributed over 160,000 nutritious food boxes and this work will continue until the community has recovered.

“The \$100,000 grant from Bank of America will be used towards providing food to those in need,” says CEO of Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina Kay Carter. “We appreciate Bank of America’s generous award and continued support of the Food Bank.”

The grant is part of Bank of America's philanthropic giving efforts in local communities. Awardees were selected for their commitment to addressing basic needs and workforce development for individuals and families, in particular during the coronavirus pandemic.

“Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina is one of the most critical organizations to ensuring opportunity for all in this region,” said Bank of America Charlotte Market President Charles Bowman. “In addition to our financial support, our local teammates annually contribute almost 5,000 volunteer hours. Their services mean a lot to our employees and the community as a whole.”

**For more information please contact Donna Ragan, SHMETROLINA Marketing & Communications Manager at [dragan@secondharvest.org](mailto:dragan@secondharvest.org).**

###

**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](#); [Twitter](#); [Instagram](#); [LinkedIn](#); [YouTube](#).

**About Bank of America**

At Bank of America, we're guided by a common purpose to help make financial lives better, through the power of every connection. We're delivering on this through responsible growth with a focus on our environmental, social and governance (ESG) leadership. ESG is embedded across our eight lines of business and reflects how we help fuel the global economy, build trust and credibility, and represent a company that people want to work for, invest in and do business with. It's demonstrated in the inclusive and supportive workplace we create for our employees, the responsible products and services we offer our clients, and the impact we make around the world in helping local economies thrive. An important part of this work is forming strong partnerships with nonprofits and advocacy groups, such as community, consumer and environmental organizations, to bring together our collective networks and expertise to achieve greater impact. Learn more at [about.bankofamerica.com](http://about.bankofamerica.com), and connect with us on Twitter ([@BofA\\_News](#)). For more Bank of America news, including dividend announcements and other important information, visit the [Bank of America newsroom](#) and [register for news email alerts](#). [www.bankofamerica.com](http://www.bankofamerica.com)