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Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina and UnitedHealthcare Provide Fresh Produce to Students in Charlotte

UnitedHealthcare volunteers organize free pop-up market for Lawrence Orr Elementary School students and their families

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (Oct. 29, 2018) – Today Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina and UnitedHealthcare hosted a free pop-up produce market at Lawrence Orr Elementary School.

Held at the school's parking lot, the pop-up produce market offered students and their families a variety of free, fresh fruits and vegetables that were provided by local produce suppliers and the community at large. The pop-up market is one of many ways Second Harvest has collaborated with local organizations in recent years, but the first time such an event has taken place at this school.

Almost 20 percent of North Carolina children regularly face hunger, and nearly all of the school's 700 students receive free or reduced-price lunch, making this program especially important in providing the nutrition kids need to learn and grow.

"Second Harvest Food Bank is proud to have partners like UnitedHealthcare that support our work to make sure every child, senior and working poor family in our region has enough to eat every single day," said Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina CEO Kay Carter.

"UnitedHealthcare is grateful for the opportunity to work with Second Harvest Food Bank to ensure children and their families have access to fresh and healthy food," said Anita Bachmann, CEO, UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of North Carolina. "We hope that by offering this free produce market at a school we can help reduce the amount of food insecurity that children and their families face every day."

This free produce market is part of UnitedHealthcare's "Do Good. Live Well." program, an employee-volunteer initiative dedicated to decreasing hunger and obesity, inspiring service and encouraging volunteerism. For more information about the benefits of volunteering and to find opportunities to volunteer alongside UnitedHealthcare in your community, visit DoGoodLiveWell.org. Follow @DoGoodLiveWell on Twitter or "like" Do Good. Live Well. on Facebook.

About Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina

As part of Feeding America, Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina serves 19 counties in North and South Carolina. In FY2017-2018, Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina distributed over 54 million pounds of food and household items to over 700 hunger feeding agencies including emergency pantries, soup kitchens, senior programs, shelters and low-income daycares. For more information, visit SHFBM at www.secondharvestmetrolina.org or follow @SHmetrolina on Twitter.

About UnitedHealthcare

UnitedHealthcare is dedicated to helping people live healthier lives and making the health system work better for everyone by simplifying the health care experience, meeting consumer health and wellness needs, and sustaining trusted relationships with care providers. In the United States, UnitedHealthcare offers the full spectrum of health benefit programs for individuals, employers, and Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries, and contracts directly with more than 1.2 million physicians and care professionals, and 6,500 hospitals and

other care facilities nationwide. The company also provides health benefits and delivers care to people through owned and operated health care facilities in South America. UnitedHealthcare is one of the businesses of UnitedHealth Group (NYSE: UNH), a diversified health care company. For more information, visit UnitedHealthcare at www.uhc.com or follow @UHC on Twitter.

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