

## **News** Release



Together We CAN End Hunger

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## Sheetz For the Kidz Partners With Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina to Help End Child Hunger

Grant will support Rowan, Iredell and Catawba County Child Hunger Programs

(Charlotte, NC, June 11, 2021) – Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina announced that it is receiving a \$5,000 grant from Sheetz For the Kidz, a charitable organization driven by the employees of Sheetz, Inc., to help provide hunger-relief to children in Rowan, Iredell and Catawba Counties. As a result of the pandemic Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina has seen an increased need in the 24 counties that we serve. Families are struggling to make ends meet while children do not have access to the meals they need to thrive.

The Food Bank distributes over 70 million pounds of food to over 800 partner agencies each year, which include food pantries, soup kitchens and meal programs. Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina is one of 27 food banks to receive this grant from Sheetz For the Kidz. "Without the support of companies and employees like those at Sheetz, our mission to end child hunger would be virtually impossible." notes Kay Carter, CEO of Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina. "We can't thank them enough for their continued support."

As a regional convenience store, Sheetz is committed to helping end child hunger in the communities it resides in. Through this Child Hunger Grant, Sheetz For the Kidz is grateful to provide food banks with the opportunity to invest more resources towards their incredible work. "More than ever, there is a need to address food insecurity in the communities in which we operate." said Executive Director of Sheetz For the Kidz, Brittany Funcheon. "Through this donation, Sheetz For the Kidz will proudly support child hunger programs including Mobile and School Pantries, Backpack Programs and Summer Feeding."

To learn more about Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina visit <a href="http://www.SecondHarvestMetrolina.org">http://www.SecondHarvestMetrolina.org</a>.

To find your local Sheetz location, visit https://www.sheetz.com.

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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 FY2019-2020, Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina distributed over 70 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 Sheetz For the Kidz**

Sheetz For the Kidz is a non-profit organization, designated as a 501©(3) charity, independent of the Sheetz Corporation. The organization was created in 1992 by local store employees wanting to help local children. The mission of the charity is to provide support, hope, joy and happiness to children in need within the communities in which Sheetz operates. To date, the charity has impacted more than 139,000 children living in the communities Sheetz serves.