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# News Release

Together We CAN End Hunger

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## **Tyson Foods Partners with Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina to Support Three Backpack Programs in Union County**

**CHARLOTTE, N.C. (February 27, 2019)** – Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina (SHMetrolina) announced today a \$40,000 grant from Tyson Foods for the funding of three Union County Backpack Program locations that the organization serves. This program provides a backpack full of nutritious, ready-to-eat or easy to prepare foods that is sent home on weekends and holidays when schools meals are not available. Schools selected were Wingate Elementary, East Elementary and Walter Beckett Elementary.

“For many years, Tyson Foods has partnered with SHMetrolina to end hunger by providing nutritious food to thousands of hard-working adults, children, seniors, and veterans who simply cannot make ends meet and are faced with the harsh realities of hunger,” said Kay Carter, CEO, SHFBM. “We are thankful for this donation.”

In the 19 county region served by the Food Bank, over 527,000 residents are food insecure. The Food Bank provides food to over 700 partner agencies including emergency pantries, soup kitchens, low-income daycares, homeless shelters, senior programs, and veteran’s assistance organizations.

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### **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.

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