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FOURTEEN AGENCIES RECEIVE OVER 2.2 TONS OF NON-PERISHABLE FOOD

CONCORD, NH — Fourteen local social service agencies, area food pantries, and church groups were the recipients of over 2.2 tons of non-perishable food as part of the Capital Region Food Program's (CRFP) Year-Round Distribution Project in April. Since January 2011, the CRFP has donated nearly 10 tons of food throughout Merrimack County.

Recipient agencies for the month's distribution included: Blueberry Express Daycare, Boscawen Congregational Church Food Pantry, Boscawen Human Services, Chichester Food Pantry, Concord Human Services, Friends of Forgotten Children, Gospel Light Church of God, Loudon Food Pantry, Merrimack Valley Daycare, Pittsfield Food Pantry, St. John the Evangelist – St. Vincent DePaul Society, St. Paul's Church – St. Vincent DePaul Society, St. Peter's Church – St. Vincent DePaul Society, and Suncook/Allenstown Community Action Program.

As part of the Year-Round Distribution Project, the CRFP purchases and donates non-perishable items such as canned fruit and vegetables, peanut butter, lentils and beans, breakfast cereal, pasta, and soups eleven times annually to over thirty local agencies. In addition, the CRFP partners with Granite United Way and the local U.S. Postal Carriers' Association each May to donate food collected through the U.S. Postal Carriers' "Stamp Out Hunger" food drive.

For more information about the Capital Region Food Program, visit www.capitalregionfoodprogram.org.

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The Capital Region Food Program, in association with social service agencies, area food pantries, and church groups, has been dedicated to the elimination of hunger in Greater Concord Area since 1974 through distribution of food to individuals and families.

On an annual basis, the CRFP distributes over 100 tons of food through two initiatives. Thirty-five (35) tons of food is distributed through the Year Round Distribution Project which is held eleven times a year. Sixty-five (65) tons of food is distributed through the program's Holiday Food Basket Project, held in partnership with the New Hampshire Army National Guard each December.

