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LINCOLN FINANCIAL FOUNDATION HELPS CAPITAL REGION FOOD PROGRAM DONATE OVER 2 TONS OF NON-PERISHABLE FOOD

Concord, N.H. (February 2, 2012) — Thirteen local social service agencies, area food pantries, and church groups were the recipients of more than 2 tons of non-perishable food as part of the Capital Region Food Program's (CRFP) Year-Round Distribution Project in January. This marks the third year the CRFP has provided a January distribution, and the third year Lincoln Financial Foundation grant funds were used to support the distribution.

Recipient agencies included: Blueberry Express Daycare, Concord Human Services, First Congregational Church, Friends of Forgotten Children, Gospel Light Church of God, Loudon Food Pantry, McKenna House, Open Door Kitchen, Salvation Army, St. John's Church – St. Vincent DePaul Society, St. Paul's Food Pantry, St. Peter's Church – St. Vincent DePaul Society and the Friendly Kitchen.

As part of the Year-Round Distribution Project, the CRFP purchases and donates non-perishable items such as canned fruit and vegetables, peanut butter, breakfast cereal, pasta, and soups eleven times annually to over thirty local agencies. In addition, the CRFP partners with the United Way of Merrimack County 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.

Visit www.capitalregionfoodprogram.org for more information on how to organize a food drive, to donate and to volunteer, and to find a list of partner agencies supported by CRFP efforts.

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The Capital Region Food Program (CRFP) is a private, not-for-profit organization whose mission is to help reduce hunger in the Greater Concord area through year-round distribution of food to individuals and families. Since 1974 this has been accomplished by securing financial donations and in-kind services and by coordination, collaboration, and cooperation with other community distribution and service agencies.

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

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