

Capital Region Food Program

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ASSOCIATED GROCERS OF NEW ENGLAND DONATES \$5000 TO CAPITAL REGION FOOD PROGRAM

CONCORD, NH – Associated Grocers of New England (AG New England) donated \$5000 to the Capital Region Food Program (CRFP) during the CRFP's April Year-Round Distribution Project on Tuesday, April 14.

"Associated Grocers of New England is a committed supporter of the Capital Region Food Program, and we are grateful for this wonderful donation. This helps us to purchase over 2 tons of non-perishable food that we, in turn, will distribute via our Year-Round Distribution Project to our partner agencies", states Cheryl A. Elliott, CRFP chair. "The current economic climate continues to strain our partner agency's resources – this generous gift will allow us to help stock food pantry shelves in Concord and 17 surrounding communities."

Rick Wheeler, AG New England Vice President of Wholesale Merchandising & Procurement states, "The Capital Region Food Program's mission is to reduce hunger in the greater Concord area. Organizations such as the CRFP are integral to our community, and AG New England is pleased to support their efforts."

In the past 12 months, the CRFP has distributed more than 35 tons of non-perishable food through it's Year Round Distribution Project. This food is distributed to over 30 local partner agencies who then stock the food in their pantries for families of need in the Greater Concord Area. In addition, the CRFP sponsors the Holiday Food Basket Project, held in partnership with the New Hampshire Army National Guard each December, where 65 tons of food is purchased and distributed.

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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 ten times throughout the year at Associated Grocers of New England. 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.

PHOTO CAPTION – Rick Wheeler, AG New England Vice President of Wholesale Merchandising & Procurement (right) and AG Loss Prevention Officer Alan Cote present Pam Ordway, CRFP Year-Round Distribution Co-Chair, with \$5000 donation.

