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U.S. POSTAL CARRIER'S STAMP OUT HUNGER! EVENT COLLECTS NEARLY 7 TONS OF FOOD

CONCORD, NH — Fifteen local food pantries and social service agencies were the recipients of non-perishable food as a result of Merrimack County's 18th annual Stamp Out Hunger! event, held May 14th. Each year, nearly 7 tons of food is collected and distributed locally through this collaborative effort of the National Association of Letter Carriers, Granite United Way-Merrimack County Region and the Capital Region Food Program.

Recipient agencies included: Blueberry Express Daycare, Boscawen Congregational Church Food Pantry, Centerpoint Food Pantry, Chichester Food Pantry, Concord Human Services, First Congregational Church, Friends of Forgotten Children, Gospel Light Church of God, Immaculate Conception Church, Loudon Food Pantry, Merrimack Valley Daycare, Salvation Army, St. John's – St. Vincent DePaul Society, St. Paul's Church – St. Vincent DePaul Society, and St. Peter's Church – St. Vincent DePaul Society,

The following local businesses and individuals generously supported the day's efforts: New Hampshire Distributors, Coca-Cola Bottling of the Lakes Region, Sal's Just Pizza, Subway Sandwich (Epsom), and Mostafa El-Sherif, DMD,

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, 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.

