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### **47<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL HOLIDAY FOOD BASKET PROJECT PROVIDES HOLIDAY MEAL FOR OVER 1,300 CAPITAL AREA FAMILIES**

CONCORD, NH — The Capital Region Food Program's (CRFP) 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Food Basket Project (HFBP) provided holiday food baskets to 1,319 families in Concord and 17 surrounding communities during the month of December. Each food basket contained items for a holiday meal as well as supplemental food items to assist recipients with menu preparation for an additional two to three days.

"Due to the current pandemic, this annual program had to be significantly modified in 2020. We are proud that through collaboration, cooperation, responsibility, mindfulness, safety, and community consideration we were able to distribute 35 tons of food to those in need," says HFBP Chair Maria Manus Painchaud. "As an organization, we remain deeply committed to our mission of helping to reduce hunger in the Capital region."

The project provided 21 tons of food directly to families as part of the HFBP with an additional 14 tons of non-perishable food distributed to the CRFP's partner agencies to support their ongoing efforts. Items provided included soups, tuna fish, beef stew, breakfast cereal, peanut butter, rice, lentils and beans. For a complete listing of partner agencies supported by the CRFP, visit [capitalregionfoodprogram.org](http://capitalregionfoodprogram.org).

Every dollar donated to the CRFP is solely used for the purchasing of food and all food is provided at no cost to partner agencies.

To learn more about the CRFP, visit [capitalregionfoodprogram.org](http://capitalregionfoodprogram.org).

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**Photo caption:** Holiday Food Basket Project (HFBP) volunteers prepare to package food baskets at Pleasant View Gardens shipping warehouse in Loudon as part of the Capital Region Food Program's 47<sup>th</sup> annual HFBP.

**The Capital Region Food Program (CRFP)** is a private, all volunteer, 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 110 tons of food annually through two initiatives. Forty (40) tons of food is distributed through the Year-Round Distribution Project which is distributed eleven times each year to over thirty local agencies. Seventy (70) 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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