



Food Lion Donates Nearly \$18,000 in Food and In-Store Gift Cards to Feeding America Food Bank Partners to Nourish Hungry Neighbors

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Gift to Help Meet Increased Need During Partial Federal Government Shutdown

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SALISBURY, N.C.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Food Lion will donate nearly \$18,000 in food and gift cards this week to local food bank and agency partners to help nourish hundreds of federal workers in the Baltimore, Md. and Washington, D.C., areas affected by the partial government shutdown.

The donation, to be made through the grocer's hunger relief platform, Food Lion Feeds, will help families during a time when they are faced with making tough choices on how to feed their families.

"Helping our neighbors in the towns and cities we serve is at the core of who we are and what we do at Food Lion," said Food Lion President Meg Ham. "In addition to supporting food banks in the greater Baltimore and Washington, D.C., areas, we remain in close contact with all of our food bank partners in locations across our 10-state service area to ensure we are ready to assist with increased need in the communities we all serve."

Food Lion Feeds is donating 1,500 food boxes to the Maryland Food Bank. Food bank staff are planning to distribute the boxes to federal workers at pop-up events starting next Saturday in the Maryland region. Details will be available early next week on Food Lion and Maryland Food Bank social media channels.

Additionally, Food Lion Feeds is donating \$10,000 in Food Lion gift cards to be distributed among Maryland Food Bank, one of its agencies--Action in Community Through Service (ACTS)--and Fredericksburg Regional Food Bank.

To date, Food Lion Feeds has sponsored two in-store food drives in partnership with the Fredericksburg Regional Food Bank in Ruther Glen, Va., and Spotsylvania, Va. and matched the 2,300 pounds of food and nearly \$500 in cash donated by customers during those drives.

Food Lion Feeds was launched in 2014 to help eliminate the difficult choices many in the communities we serve are faced with every day. Through the initiative, Food Lion Feeds has donated more than 400 million meals toward our commitment of donating 500 million meals by 2020.

About Food Lion

Food Lion, based in Salisbury, N.C., since 1957, has more than 1,000 stores in 10 Southeastern and Mid-Atlantic states and employs more than 63,000 associates. By leveraging its longstanding heritage of low prices and convenient locations, Food Lion is working to own the easiest full shop grocery experience in the Southeast, anchored by a strong commitment to affordability, freshness and the communities it serves. Through Food Lion Feeds, the company has committed to provide 500 million meals to individuals and families in need by the end of 2020. Food Lion is a company of Ahold Delhaize USA, the U.S. division of Zaandam-based Royal Ahold Delhaize Group. For more information, visit www.foodlion.com.

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