HOMELESS GAIN ACCESS TO MEALS THROUGH FEEDING SAN DIEGO

Hunger-relief organization provides emergency meal assistance to temporary homeless camp

San Diego, CA – October 13, 2017 – Today, Feeding San Diego, the leading hunger-relief organization in San Diego County, will start providing ready-to-eat meals at the temporary homeless Safe Camp at City Operations Yard run by Alpha Project. A lack of meal service at lunch time has been a challenge, causing many residents to walk for miles during the day in search of food. By offering complete, nutritious lunches directly to the Safe Camp, Feeding San Diego is solving a problem for many of the homeless residents, many of whom are women and children.

“We are living up to our name,” said Vince Hall, CEO of Feeding San Diego. “The humanitarian crisis on our streets must end and every person deserves our compassion. San Diego is indebted to Bob McElroy and the Alpha Project for their leadership on this critical issue. By providing lunches to the Safe Camp we are ensuring that all homeless residents, including women, children and families, have access to a healthy, nutritious lunch.”

Each lunch is a complete meal with entrée, fresh fruit, vegetable and milk or water. Meal examples include spaghetti and meatballs, chicken teriyaki and rice, turkey taco bowls and healthy side salads. Currently, 200 meals are being provided, with 35 meals specifically for children.

“We are extremely grateful to Feeding San Diego for providing lunch to our men, women and children residing at the Campground,” said Bob McElroy, President & CEO of Alpha Project. “Delivering 200 meals each day so our residents do not have to leave for lunch is a huge blessing. Thank you for your generosity and support.”

Feeding San Diego will provide meals for the next few weeks until the more permanent Sprung fabric structures are constructed and the residents can be safely moved to their new locations.

To contribute, San Diegans can help Feeding San Diego fund these meals by making a donation at give.feedingsandiego.org/safecamp.

For more information on what Feeding San Diego is doing to fight hunger, visit feedingsandiego.org.

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ABOUT FEEDING SAN DIEGO

Established in 2007, Feeding San Diego (FSD) is the leading hunger-relief organization in the county, providing 25.2 million meals within the last year, and the only Feeding America affiliate in the region. FSD provides food and resources to a network of more than 245 distribution partners serving 63,000 children, families and seniors each week. Focused on healthy food,
education and advocacy, FSD is building a hunger-free and healthy San Diego through innovative programs and collaborative partnerships. To learn more about Feeding San Diego and its hunger-relief initiatives, visit feedingsandiego.org.