Feeding San Diego Receives $33,000 Investment from the Caterpillar Foundation
Grant to Help Feed Families and Children in San Diego County

October 13, 2016 - San Diego, CA – Today, Feeding San Diego announced a $33,454 grant from Caterpillar's philanthropic organization, the Caterpillar Foundation, to provide food to individuals who face hunger in San Diego County. A member of the Feeding America network, Feeding San Diego is one of 34 food banks nationwide to receive this grant.

"Hunger is an issue in every community. We are so grateful to the Caterpillar Foundation for its commitment to fighting hunger and supporting children and families in need in San Diego," said Al Brislain, CEO of Feeding San Diego.

Each year, 42 million people in the United States face hunger, including 1 in 5 children in San Diego. This grant will help support the Feeding San Diego BackPack program that aims to meet the nutritional needs of food insecure children over the weekend. Typically, each child receives an easy-to-carry bag filled with nutritious staple times and two to three pounds of fresh produce when leaving school on Thursday or Friday afternoons.

“The Caterpillar Foundation is committed to alleviating poverty in the communities in which we live and work. We are proud to partner with Feeding San Diego to support individuals in San Diego County who may not know where their next meal will come from,” said Michele Sullivan, president of the Caterpillar Foundation.

The Caterpillar Foundation’s national investment will help 300,000 people facing hunger in Caterpillar communities in 44 counties. Caterpillar Foundation has helped provide more than 5 million meals to Caterpillar communities since 2015.

Feeding San Diego serves 63,000 children, families and seniors each week and more than 490,000 different people annually. For more information about Feeding San Diego, visit www.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 21.2 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 225 distribution partners serving 63,000 children, families and seniors each week. Focused on healthy food,
education and advocacy, FSD is building 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.

About the Caterpillar Foundation
Founded in 1952, Caterpillar’s philanthropic organization, the Caterpillar Foundation has contributed more than $650 million to help make sustainable progress possible around the world by providing program support in the areas of environmental sustainability, access to education and basic human needs. To learn more about the global impact of the Caterpillar Foundation, please visit www.togetherstronger.com.