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FEEDING SAN DIEGO RECEIVES MORGAN STANLEY AWARD TO HELP END CHILD HUNGER IN SAN DIEGO

$75,000 Grant to Expand School Pantry Program Delivering Nutritious Meals to Children and Families

San Diego, CA — June 22, 2017 — Feeding San Diego today announced a $75,000 grant from the Morgan Stanley Foundation. The money will be used to fund its School Pantry Program, a child hunger initiative that helps ensure low-income families have a readily accessible source of healthy and nutritious food to prepare at home, as well as helping the food bank significantly expand its fresh produce program capacity.

The Foundation awarded a total of $1,250,000 in grants this month to food banks across the country. Through its partnership with Feeding America, a nationwide network of 200 food banks, the Foundation has given more than $21 million to help launch, expand and sustain critical childhood feeding programs.

"We are thrilled to receive this important grant from the Morgan Stanley Foundation in support of our efforts to deliver more nutritious meals to children and families in San Diego," said Vince Hall, CEO of Feeding San Diego. "Morgan Stanley and its employees provide vital support for Feeding San Diego by generous contributions like this and many hours volunteering."

"We are honored to be able to help Feeding San Diego in its important fight against child hunger," said Morgan Stanley Complex Manager VR Raman. "Our employees volunteer regularly with Feeding San Diego so we are delighted to extend our support through this grant and provide even more children with the foods they need to learn, grow and thrive."

"Grants like this from Morgan Stanley make a vital difference in our efforts to provide children with the nutritious meals they need every day," said Andy Wilson, Chief Development Officer at Feeding America. "More than 13 million children in the United States live at risk of hunger. Together, we can solve hunger and ensure that children have the fuel they need to grow healthy and strong."

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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 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.