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CATERPILLAR FOUNDATION PROVIDES GRANT TO HELP SUSTAIN FEEDING SAN DIEGO'S MOBILE PANTRIES

GRANT WILL PROVIDE MORE THAN 300,000 MEALS TO INDIVIDUALS IN NEED ACROSS SAN DIEGO

May 7, 2018 - San Diego, CA – Feeding San Diego recently received a \$56,145 grant from Caterpillar's philanthropic organization, the Caterpillar Foundation, to provide food to individuals who face hunger in San Diego County. Feeding San Diego is one of 29 hunger-relief organizations nationwide to receive this grant.

"We are so grateful to the Caterpillar Foundation for its commitment to fighting hunger in the rural areas of our east county, where fresh food is harder to access," said Vince Hall, CEO of Feeding San Diego.

The Caterpillar Foundation's grant will provide more than 300,000 meals to individuals across San Diego County living in rural areas where fresh and healthy food is hard to access.

"San Diego County is quite vast," said Alicia Saake, Chief Operating Officer of Feeding San Diego. "With the help of this grant we can continue to reach people living in far-off communities and provide the nutritious food, especially fresh fruits and vegetables, they need to live healthy lives."

Feeding San Diego will use the funds to help support its Mobile Pantry Program which will provide nearly 1.2 million meals this year to food insecure families in rural areas. The year-round program will serve 2,688 households, providing 22 pounds of produce and shelf-stable food to each family at twice-monthly farmer's market style pantries. Approximately 70% of the food provided by Mobile Pantry distributions is fresh produce.

Feeding San Diego serves 63,000 children, families and seniors each week and more than 400,000 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 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.

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.