SAN DIEGO COUNTY’S LEGAL COMMUNITY RAISES 175,000 MEALS FOR FEEDING SAN DIEGO THROUGH FOOD FROM THE BAR CAMPAIGN

Attorney King Aminpour generously matched $20K of campaign donations

San Diego, CA — June 24, 2019 — This summer, the legal community of San Diego County came together to fight hunger and raised the equivalent of 175,000 meals through the Feeding San Diego “Food from the Bar” campaign.

The three-week campaign included participation from fourteen law firms and organizations who volunteered 228 hours, gleaned over 14,000 pounds of food, and raised $23,769 to help fuel summer programs for the one in six children facing hunger in San Diego County. In addition, King Aminpour Car & Motorcycle Injury Lawyers generously matched $20,000 of campaign donations, taking the total amount raised to $43,769.

Among the campaign winners, Cooley LLP won the large firm category, Johnston Fistel LLP won the small to medium firm category, Pettit Kohn Ingrassia Lutz & Dolin PC took first place for most volunteers, and Frank Johnson from Johnston Fistel LLP took first place for individual fundraising.

“When school is out for summer, many San Diego children struggling with hunger lose access to school-based nutrition programs,” says Vince Hall, CEO of Feeding San Diego. “We are grateful for the San Diego law community and their support of Food from the Bar, which fuels our critical food distributions throughout the summer for children and their families.”

The campaign ran from May 29 through June 17, 2019, with the goal to ensure local children and families get the nutrition they need during the summer months. Since the campaign began in 2012, Feeding San Diego and participating organizations have raised more than 1,062,000 meals for children and families in need.

“Food from the Bar” participants included: Barnes & Thornburg LLP; Cooley LLP; Hahn Loeser & Parks LLP; Johnson Fistel LLP; Jones Day LLP; Little Miss Notary; Paul, Plevin, Sullivan & Connaughton LLP; Paul Hastings LLP; Pettit Kohn Ingrassia Lutz & Dolin PC; Robbins Arroyo LLP; San Diego County Public Defender Office; San Diego Paralegal Association; Shoecraft Burton LLP; and Wolfenzon Rolle LLP. The San Diego County Bar Association was the official media partner.
“One of the greatest feelings in the world is knowing that we as individuals can make a difference. Ending hunger in San Diego is a goal that is literally within our grasp, and starts with our local community. We at Cooley rise by lifting others,” says Cooley Cares Committee.

Next year’s “Food from the Bar” campaign will be taking place from June 1 to 15, 2020. The campaign provides an engaging opportunity to unite teams from the legal community while making a significant impact on hunger in our community.

###

ABOUT FEEDING SAN DIEGO

Feeding San Diego (FSD) is a non-profit organization on a mission to end hunger and reduce food waste. Established in 2007, FSD is the leading hunger-relief and food rescue organization in San Diego County and the only Feeding America affiliate in the region. Currently, one in eight San Diegans, including one in six children, face hunger each day. FSD provides 500,000 meals every week to children, adults and seniors in partnership with a network of 245 local charities, schools, faith communities, and food pantries. Through an efficient model focused on reducing our impact on the environment, every dollar donated helps provide four nutritious meals to people facing hunger. To learn more about Feeding San Diego and its hunger-relief initiatives, visit www.feedingsandiego.org.

Food from the Bar is an opportunity for members of the legal community to unite together to overrule hunger for children and their families. This campaign is led by members of the legal community to support Feeding San Diego and help provide nutritious meals for the one in six children facing hunger in San Diego County. Legal teams compete to garner funds, volunteer their time, and inspire their colleagues to raise the bar against hunger. For more information, visit Food from the Bar, or contact Charina Layman, Senior Manager, Partnerships at clayman@feedingsandiego.org.