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Feeding San Diego Receives \$14,000 Gift from The Darden Foundation to help End Hunger

San Diego, CA — October 24, 2019 — Today, [Feeding San Diego](http://feedingsandiego.org) announced a \$14,000 grant from The Darden Foundation to help provide hunger-relief to families in San Diego County. The funds will be used to acquire 100,000 pounds of fresh produce for our hunger-relief programs.

“For people struggling with hunger, fresh produce is one of the most limiting foods because of its high cost. At Feeding San Diego, more than 50% of the food we provide is fresh produce. We thank The Darden Foundation for supporting us and extending our ability to offer a variety of fresh fruits and vegetables to the one in eight people facing hunger in San Diego County,” said Vince Hall, CEO of Feeding San Diego.

The Darden Foundation is committed to supporting families facing food insecurity in communities across the United States. The Darden Foundation has supported Feeding San Diego since 2017 through annual grants. Thanks to their ongoing support, Feeding San Diego has provided even more meals to families in need.

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ABOUT FEEDING SAN DIEGO

Feeding San Diego is a non-profit organization on a mission to end hunger while reducing food waste. Established in 2007, Feeding San Diego provides more than 26 million meals each year to people facing hunger in the community 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. Feeding San Diego is the only Feeding America affiliate in the region. To learn more about Feeding San Diego and its hunger-relief initiatives, visit feedingsandiego.org.

ABOUT DARDEN RESTAURANTS AND THE DARDEN FOUNDATION

Darden is a restaurant company featuring a portfolio of differentiated brands that include Olive Garden, LongHorn Steakhouse, Cheddar's Scratch Kitchen, Yard House, The Capital Grille, Seasons 52, Bahama Breeze and Eddie V's. Our people equal our success, and we are proud to employ 185,000 team members in more than 1,700 restaurants. Together, we create memorable experiences for nearly 400 million guests each year in communities across North America. The Darden Foundation works to bring to life our spirit of service through its philanthropic support of charitable organizations across the country. Since 1995, The Darden Foundation has awarded more than \$90 million in grants to non-profit organizations such as Feeding America, National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation (NRAEF) and American Red Cross. For more information, please visit [darden.com](https://www.darden.com).