HIGHLIGHTS

ABC10 Month of a Million Meals telethon raises 800,354 meals on #GivingTuesday
This holiday season, ABC10 is hosting the 7th annual Month of a Million Meals benefiting Feeding San Diego. On December 3, the live telethon raised 800,354 meals! Special thanks to Bob and Marion Wilson for their $50,000 match. We are also grateful to the Epstein Family Foundation for their $20,000 gift. Finally, thank you to everyone who called in and donated online. Month of a Million Meals runs until December 31. Support the campaign by giving online or by making a donation at any of the four Barons Market locations in San Diego County.

Nearly 700,000 people will have food assistance taken away due to USDA ruling
Recently, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) released a final ruling that will take away food assistance from nearly 700,000 people. In response, Kate Leone, the Chief Government Relations Officer at Feeding America, issued a statement against this decision. Feeding San Diego supports Feeding America in urging USDA to rescind this rule and focus on policies that will increase access to food for people in need.

Give Hope, Share Joy this holiday season
Share the joy of the holiday season by giving hope to people struggling with food insecurity through our Give Hope, Share Joy campaign presented by Ralphs and Food 4 Less. With one in eight San Diegans facing hunger every day, including one in six children, Feeding San Diego is a lifeline. Your support helps provide families and children with healthy meals this holiday season.

I Am Hunger in America
“I Am Hunger In America” is a national awareness campaign that utilizes technology to help you visualize the breadth and complexity of hunger. The campaign combines images of people facing hunger, USDA data and artificial intelligence to create a lifelike portrait that represents the stories of people experiencing hunger throughout our country.

BENEFIT EVENTS & CAMPAIGNS

Become a Hunger-Relief Champion
Ongoing
Become a hunger-relief champion by donating monthly to help sustain our critical hunger-relief and food rescue programs! Your support makes an immediate impact — give online today.

Teams for Good
Ongoing
Teams for Good is an opportunity for corporations to unite against hunger by supporting Feeding San Diego through volunteerism and giving. For more information, contact Melissa Sayviseth at msayviseth@feedingsandiego.org.

Join The Grove
The Grove is an exclusive giving circle for our donors who make annual gifts of $1,000 or more. Join today and receive a variety of special benefits throughout the year! To learn more, email donorservices@feedingsandiego.org or call 858.283.8979.
Ralphs and Food 4 Less
Through December 24, 2019
This holiday season, Ralphs and Food 4 Less are continuing on their promise to feed the human spirit with their virtual food box campaign at their locations throughout San Diego County. The next time you shop, grab a box and make a $5 or $10 donation to help those facing hunger. 100% of your gift benefits Feeding San Diego.

Imagine No Hunger License Plates
Through December 31, 2019
A program is underway to put the iconic self-portrait of John Lennon on California license plates and help fund Feeding San Diego and food banks throughout the state. The first 7,500 pre-ordered plates are free so sign-up today!

Wells Fargo
Through December 31, 2019
Wells Fargo is generously matching monetary donations up to $5,000 per donor made at their ATMs or on their website. Donate today and your gift will have double the impact!

Target Circle
Through January 4, 2020
Support Feeding San Diego through Target. Download the Target app, shop and vote today! Here’s a step-by-step guide on how to vote for Feeding San Diego on the Target Circle app. For full program details, visit Target Circle.

San Diego Gulls Game
January 11, 2020
Join us on January 11 for the San Diego Gulls vs. Ontario Reign hockey game and show your support for Feeding San Diego. Each ticket helps provide 20 meals to families facing hunger. Purchase your ticket today!

Visit feedingsandiego.org/eventsandcampaigns for additional upcoming events and campaigns.

MEDIA COVERAGE
KPBS – December 13: How San Diego schools fight hunger during the holidays
THE DAILY AZTEC – December 11: Professor creates food pantry for struggling students
SAN DIEGO DOWNTOWN NEWS – December 6: Seaport Village’s ‘Coastal Christmas’
10NEWS – December 3: Month of a Million Meals: Volunteer coordinator leads with passion
10NEWS – December 3: Feeding San Diego COO speaks on effort to aid San Diegans
10NEWS – December 2: Feeding San Diego helps military families facing food insecurity
10NEWS – December 2: Feeding San Diego’s new app helps companies donate excess food
COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES AND FINE ARTS – November: School of Theater, Television, and Film launches food pantry for students
GIVING BACK MAGAZINE – November 1: Teams for Good
The San Diego Union-Tribune – November 27: College students are disproportionately experiencing hunger
THE VILLAGE VISIONARY – November 22: Working toward a hunger-free and healthy San Diego – with Feeding San Diego
Advocate by sharing your voice on social media! @feedingsandiego #FeedingSanDiego

HUNGER STORIES IN THE NEWS

THE NEW YORK TIMES - December 9: Getting help and giving back

CBS NEWS - December 10: Total Trump food-stamp cuts could hit up to 5.3 million households

NBC NEWS - December 5: Nearly 700,000 will lose food stamps with USDA work requirement change

MSN - December 2: Poverty is a story about us, not them

NPR - November 28: 'Food pharmacies' in clinics: When the diagnosis is chronic hunger

QUIZ OF THE MONTH

What is the name of the federal program that helps millions of low-income Americans put food on the table?

a) CalFresh  
bc) SNAP  
c) USDA  
d) MealConnect

We will recognize the first person to answer correctly next month! And congratulations to last month’s winner, Luisa.
Johnson, who was the first to send in the correct answer: MealConnect is the new free technology platform that will help reduce food waste in San Diego County.