FEEDING SAN DIEGO’S FIRST DISTRIBUTION AT NEW MOBILE PANTRY SITE IN SANTA YSABEL STARTS TODAY

Twice monthly food distribution to directly serve the Iipay Nation and surrounding communities

SAN DIEGO (February 9, 2021) — Feeding San Diego, the county’s leading hunger relief and food rescue organization, has established a new mobile pantry in rural San Diego County that will provide much needed assistance to the Iipay Nation and surrounding communities. Reaching predominantly rural areas in north and east San Diego County, Feeding San Diego serves 2,360 families monthly through its Mobile Pantry Program, a unique traveling pantry operation. Food distributions at each site are held on a twice-monthly basis for underserved populations, many of whom are low-income households, farmers, migrant workers, and seniors. In December 2020 Feeding San Diego held an emergency distribution in Santa Ysabel and continued to work within the community to establish a regular distribution.

What: Drive-through distribution where volunteers place food directly in the trunk, always keeping six feet of distance. All attendees are asked to wear a mask. Groceries include fresh produce, canned goods, and shelf-stable nutritious foods. Each distribution will have enough for 100 households.

When: Distributions are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month, starting today, Tuesday, February 9th from 10 to 11 a.m.

Where: 110 ½ School House Canyon Road Santa Ysabel, CA 92070

For additional assistance, those affected by the pandemic or people in need can easily find the closest food distribution by visiting feedingsandiego.org/get-help and entering their zip code in the “Find Food Map.”

To help people facing hunger during the pandemic, San Diegans can give online to enable Feeding San Diego to continue its critical work during this time.

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ABOUT FEEDING SAN DIEGO

Feeding San Diego is a non-profit organization on a mission to connect every person facing hunger with nutritious meals by maximizing food rescue. Established in 2007, Feeding San Diego is the leading hunger-relief and food rescue organization in San Diego County and the only Feeding America affiliate in the region. Feeding San Diego provides more than 31.2 million meals every year to children, families, seniors, college students, military families, and veterans in partnership with a network of 320 local charities, schools, faith communities, meal sites, and food pantries. Last year, more than 92 percent of the food provided to the community was rescued. By diverting more than 27 million pounds of food from the landfill, Feeding San Diego reduced greenhouse gas emissions by nearly 25,000 metric tons of CO2 equivalent, which is
comparable to taking 5,300 cars off the road for one year. To learn more about Feeding San Diego and its COVID-19 response, visit feedingsandiego.org.