NUTRITIOUS FOOD PROVIDED TO OVER 9,000 PEOPLE THROUGH DEDICATED HOSPITALITY DISTRIBUTIONS

We can all agree that this past year has been challenging, and it goes without saying that the hospitality industry across San Diego County has been severely impacted. Restaurants, hotels, chefs, and many others have been so supportive of Feeding San Diego over the years — now it's our turn to be there for them!

As part of our Spread Love San Diego campaign, Feeding San Diego hosted a series of dedicated distributions for members of the hospitality industry every week throughout the month of February at Pechanga Arena San Diego. Every registered attendee received approximately 50 lbs worth of dry goods, fresh produce, and a frozen meat protein. In addition, they received valuable resources on how to access other Feeding San Diego distributions close to their home and information about CalFresh, and how to apply. Special thanks to the San Diego Board of Tourism, the San Diego Chapter of the California Restaurant Association, and Pechanga Arena San Diego for helping make these distributions possible.

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HOW YOU CAN HELP

For benefit campaigns and fund drives, click here.

GIFT A MEAL FOR SOMEONE FACING HUNGER IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY

The impact of COVID-19 has been devastating to restaurants across San Diego County. Sadly, many have had to close, and those that remain are fighting to stay afloat and keep their staff employed. Feeding San Diego launched the Gift a Meal initiative to support restaurants while also helping to feed people in our community facing hunger. In the first weekend alone, the handful of participating restaurants that were a part of the launch sold more than 120 meals! We invite restaurants across San Diego County to register.

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#KINDHUMANCHA LLENGE - SPELL K-I-N-D-N-E-S-S TO FEED SAN DIEGO

For every new video or image of KINDNESS posted to social media, Kindhumans will donate 20 meals to Feeding San Diego to help support people facing hunger! Spell kindness with something around you - from surfboards to bikes, to flowers or veggies! Get creative. Post to social media and challenge your friends and family to join! Please tag @kindhumans_movement, @feedingsandiego, and use the hashtag #KindhumansChallenge. Internationally renowned photographer, Robert Erdmann, captured a moment of kindness at a recent food distribution hosted by Feeding San Diego in support of the hospitality industry.

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NEW MOBILE PANTRY SITE IN SANTA YSABEL TO REACH RURAL SAN DIEGO COUNTY

Feeding San Diego has established a new mobile pantry in rural San Diego County that will provide much-needed assistance to the lipay Nation and surrounding communities. This distribution, in partnership with Indian Health Council, will be held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month. “Our work in rural communities of San Diego County is increasingly important, given the COVID-19 crisis and the fact that these areas are often complete food deserts lacking access to nutritious, healthy foods. By establishing this permanent mobile pantry, we are providing a lifeline to hundreds who are facing hunger,” said Dan Shea, CEO, Feeding San Diego.

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CONCERT AND EVENT COMPANIES REEL FROM FALLOUT OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Think about the last time you attended a sporting event, a theatre production, or a concert. Unless it was a drive-in event, it was probably before March 2020. For nearly a year, the entertainment industry has been at a standstill, leaving thousands of workers unemployed. Feeding San Diego’s Spread Love San Diego campaign is an effort to extend a hand to the industry’s workers that have been laid off or furloughed due to COVID-19. Power Plus Productions CEO Lane Rickard shares his insight on the impact of COVID-19 on the industry and his business.

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MEDIA COVERAGE

KUSI News – February 22: Super Bowl Champion Lonie Paxton participates in Feeding San Diego’s Kind Human Challenge

Times of San Diego – February 17: Feeding San Diego launches ‘Gift A Meal’ as part of Spread Love San Diego campaign

CBS8 – February 17: Feeding San Diego offers food donations to struggling hospitality workers

KUSI News - February 17: Gift a Meal initiative with Feeding San Diego to support those in need

KPBS – February 15: Feeding San Diego distributes food for hospitality workers

The San Diego Union-Tribune – February 13: Encontro receives $30,000 from Marcus Lemonis to provide meals to food insecure San Diegans

NBC News – February 7: Food banks struggling to feed hungry during Covid look forward to Biden’s fixes to SNAP program
To see all of our press coverage, [click here](#).

**SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS**

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To learn more about how to support Feeding San Diego, please contact Ali Colbran, Director of Development, at acolbran@feedingsandiego.org or [click here](#).

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**THE GROVE**

Thank you to members of **The Grove** for their passionate support of our hunger-relief and food rescue efforts across San Diego County.

For more information or to join **The Grove**, please visit [feedingsandiego.org/thegrove](http://feedingsandiego.org/thegrove).

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