



## **TERRE HAUTE CATHOLIC CHARITIES RECEIVES NEW REFRIGERATED FOOD TRUCK AND \$70,000 FROM THE WALMART FOUNDATION**

TERRE HAUTE – November 15, 2010 – At a time when more and more families in Terre Haute and the surrounding counties face the threat of going hungry, **Terre Haute Catholic Charities Food Bank** and Feeding America announced today that the Walmart Foundation has donated refrigerated food truck to help hungry Hoosiers. Valued at more than \$95,000, the vehicle will be used to deliver fruit, vegetables and other nutritious foods to pantries, soup kitchens and other emergency feeding centers throughout an eight county area.

Through a \$6 million grant to Feeding America, the Walmart Foundation donated a total of 65 refrigerated food trucks to Feeding America network food banks this holiday season.

The Walmart Foundation also awarded a \$70,000 State Giving Program grant to Terre Haute Catholic Charities to help the emergency assistance fund and provide more nutritional food to those in need.

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“We must face the fact that there are people who go hungry in this country every day. These are our neighbors and people we see throughout our daily lives,” said Margaret McKenna, president of the Walmart Foundation. “This issue has to be top of mind when we sit down at dinner and when we eat breakfast, and we all have to commit to doing something to help. If all of us give one can of food or volunteer one hour at a food bank, if we all do one thing, together we can end hunger in this country.”

The USDA reports that more than 50.1 million Americans are food insecure. Feeding America’s network serves 37 million Americans annually, including 17 million children and nearly 3 million seniors. Hunger is a national crisis and as the holiday season approaches Feeding America and Walmart continue to work to find ways to alleviate hunger in this nation.

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Walmart recently announced a \$2 billion commitment to help end hunger in America. Through the “Fighting Hunger Together” initiative, Walmart and the Walmart Foundation will give \$250 million in grants to hunger relief organizations and donate more than 1.1 billion pounds of food from Walmart stores, distribution centers and Sam’s Club locations, valued at 41.75 billion. Continuing this effort this holiday season, Walmart and the Walmart Foundation are also hosting its first nationwide food drive at all Walmart stores and calling on Facebook fans to help select communities that will receive \$1.5 million in grants.

For more information on Walmart's commitment to hunger relief this holiday season and year-round, please visit [www.walmart.com/fightinghunger](http://www.walmart.com/fightinghunger) or [www.facebook.com/walmart](http://www.facebook.com/walmart).

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### **About Walmart Foundation**

Walmart and the Walmart Foundation are proud to support the charitable causes that are important to customers and associates in their own neighborhoods. The Walmart Foundation funds initiatives focused on education, workforce development, economic opportunity, environmental sustainability, and health and wellness. From Feb. 1, 2009 through Jan. 31, 2010, Walmart and the Walmart Foundation gave more than \$467 million in cash and in-kind gifts, including donating 127 million pounds of food to U.S. food banks. Internationally, Walmart gave \$45 million in cash and in-kind gifts to charitable organizations. To learn more, visit [www.walmartfoundation.org](http://www.walmartfoundation.org).

### **About Feeding America**

Feeding America provides low-income individuals and families with the fuel to survive and even thrive. As the nation's leading domestic hunger-relief charity, our network members supply food to more than 37 million Americans each year, including 14 million children and 3 million seniors. Serving the entire United States, more than 200 member food banks support 61,000 agencies that address hunger in all of its forms. For more information on how you can fight hunger in your community and across the country, visit us on Facebook at [Facebook.com/FeedingAmerica](https://www.facebook.com/FeedingAmerica) or follow our news on Twitter at [twitter.com/FeedingAmerica](https://twitter.com/FeedingAmerica).

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