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COMMUNITY FOODBANK OF NEW JERSEY RECEIVES MORGAN STANLEY GRANT TO EXPAND PROGRAM DELIVERING NUTRITIOUS MEALS TO CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Funding will support Family Pack program that provides supplemental food for the weekend

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The Community FoodBank of New Jersey today announced a \$50,000 grant from the Morgan Stanley Foundation to fund its Family Pack Program, which provides nutritious and easy-to-prepare food for children to take home on weekends and school vacations when school breakfasts and lunches are not available. The FoodBank is one of 35 food banks that received funding from Morgan Stanley as part of a \$1.25 Million gift to Feeding America® member food banks to help develop, launch, expand and sustain critical child nutrition programs.

“We are thrilled to receive this vital grant from Morgan Stanley in support of our efforts to help provide more nutritious meals to children and families,” said Carlos Rodriguez, President & CEO of the Community FoodBank of New Jersey. “Morgan Stanley is a terrific partner for our organization, and we are grateful for the support its employees have shown by donating their time and through generous contributions.”

To commemorate the grant award, employees from Morgan Stanley’s Garden City branch volunteered at the Community FoodBank of New Jersey as part of Morgan Stanley’s “Feeding Kids Around the Clock” initiative, 24-hours of continuous employee volunteer activities around the world dedicated to raising awareness of childhood hunger. Building on the impact of last year’s event, which helped provide nearly two million meals in one day, Morgan Stanley employees noticed the difference one day of service can have on an organization, a community and a child’s life.

“We are honored to help the Community FoodBank of New Jersey and join in its important fight against child hunger,” said Morgan Stanley Complex Manager Kelly Anne Anderson. “With an engaged employee base and a culture of giving back, our employees are delighted to be part of the kick off of Global Volunteer Month with Feeding Kids Around the Clock at the Community FoodBank of New Jersey and extend our support to the children in our community.”

Since 2009, the Foundation has partnered with Feeding America to support food bank programs that help end hunger in the United States. In that time, Morgan Stanley has supported 117 food banks in 41 states with grants for child nutrition programs, and more recently, produce programs. For more than 50 years, Morgan Stanley has been committed to helping children get a healthy start in life and having access to food is essential to this mission.

“More than 12 million children in America live at risk of hunger,” said Claire Babineaux-Fontenot, CEO of Feeding America. “In order to solve hunger, we need strong partners that are willing to make long-term investments in our strategies. We are grateful to Morgan Stanley for their crucial support these last ten years.”

The [Community FoodBank of New Jersey \(CFBNJ\)](#), a member of Feeding America®, has been delivering food, help and hope across the state for over 40 years. Last year, CFBNJ provided nutritious food for over 47 million meals through its network of more than 1,000 community partners including pantries, soup kitchens, emergency shelters, mobile pantries, and child and senior feeding programs. For our hungry neighbors, the Community FoodBank of New Jersey is the powerful agent of change that fills the emptiness caused by hunger and provides resources that are essential to earning a sustainable living.