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David M. Crowley Foundation Donates Mobile Pantry Vehicle to North Texas Food Bank

Travelling Pantry to Provide Access to Nutritious Foods for Hungry North Texans

DALLAS (Feb. 17, 2016) – The North Texas Food Bank hosted a ribbon cutting ceremony today at its Dallas Farmers Market location, recognizing the donation of a Mobile Pantry vehicle by the David M. Crowley Foundation.

"Thousands of our North Texas neighbors struggling with food insecurity live in areas not served by a traditional food pantry," said Jan Pruitt, President and CEO of the North Texas Food Bank. "With the continued support of the Crowley Foundation, the North Texas Food Bank will be able to provide hungry North Texans with healthy foods in locations where they otherwise might not be able to access it."

The David M. Crowley Foundation's longstanding commitment to making a difference in North Texas dates back to 1990. The Foundation has served as a close partner of the North Texas Food Bank for many years, working to improve the lives of children and at-risk families.



The Mobile Food Pantry donated by the Crowley Foundation will provide a variety of foods to families in need, especially those who are unable to access a food pantry in their neighborhood. This pantry on wheels will make stops in urban and rural areas, delivering fresh fruits and vegetables, canned goods and other pantry staples to families in need across the North Texas Food Bank 13-county service area.

The North Texas Food Bank Mobile Pantry program plays an integral role in the NTFB's 10-year plan, aimed at providing access to 92

million nutritious meals annually by 2025. The goal reflects the current need for food assistance across the NTFB's 13 counties and represents a near 50 percent increase from the NTFB's current meal distribution output.

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ABOUT THE NORTH TEXAS FOOD BANK

The North Texas Food Bank (NTFB) is a top-ranked nonprofit relief organization, providing access to 170,000 meals each day for hungry children, seniors and families through a network of more than 1,000 programs and more than 200 Partner Agencies in our 13-county service area. In fiscal year 2015, NTFB provided access to some 63 million meals but the need for hunger relief in North Texas today is much larger. To combat increasing food insecurity in North Texas, the Food Bank recently launched a 10-year

plan to provide access to 92 million nutritious meals annually by 2025, a nearly 50 percent increase from the current output. For more information about the 10-year plan, visit ntfb.org/92million. NTFB is a member of Feeding America, a national hunger relief organization.