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North Texas Food Bank Receives \$18,000 Investment from the Caterpillar Foundation to Help Feed Families and Children in Grayson County.

DALLAS, September 1, 2015 – The North Texas Food Bank announced a \$18,000 grant from Caterpillar’s philanthropic organization, the Caterpillar Foundation, to provide food to individuals who face hunger in Grayson County. A member of the Feeding America network, The North Texas Food Bank, is one of 35 food banks nationwide to receive this grant.

"The North Texas Food Bank is thankful to the Caterpillar Foundation for its commitment to fighting hunger and supporting families in need in our community," said Jan Pruitt, president and CEO of the North Texas Food Bank. "Because of this grant, we will be able to better serve families, children and seniors in need."

Each year, 49 million people in the United States face hunger, including 1 in every 6 people in North Texas. Support from the Caterpillar Foundation will provide access to 54,000 meals to chronically hungry North Texans through selected Partner Agencies in Grayson County, as a Take 50 Food Fund! This fund provides a 50 cents on the \$1 credit (up to \$18,000 available) to offset Partner Agency handling fees.

"The Caterpillar Foundation is committed to alleviating poverty. We are proud to partner with the North Texas Food Bank to support individuals in Grayson County who may not know where their next meal will come from," said Michele Sullivan, president of the Caterpillar Foundation.

The Caterpillar Foundation’s current investment of \$1 million will help to address hunger surrounding Caterpillar communities in 49 counties. The Foundation has invested \$3.5 million dollars in Feeding America member food banks since 2013.

Last year, the North Texas Food Bank provided 62 million nutritious meals to hungry children, families, and seniors. For more information about The North Texas Food Bank, go to: www.ntfb.org.

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About the North Texas Food Bank

Founded in 1982, the North Texas Food Bank is a Dallas nonprofit hunger relief organization that distributes donated, purchased and prepared foods through a network of more than 250 Partner Agencies in 13 counties. As a member of Feeding America, we support the nutritional needs of children, families, and seniors through education, advocacy and strategic partnerships.

About the Caterpillar Foundation

Founded in 1952, Caterpillar's philanthropic organization, the Caterpillar Foundation has contributed more than \$600 million to help make sustainable progress possible around the world by providing program support in the areas of environmental sustainability, access to education and basic human needs. To

learn more about the global impact of the Caterpillar Foundation, please visit www.caterpillarfoundation.org