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**MAZDA FOUNDATION (USA), INC. AWARDS GRANT  
TO NORTH TEXAS FOOD BANK**

*\$10,000 Award Will Enable the North Texas Food Bank to Provide 30,000 Meals*

**IRVINE, CA – September 24, 2020** – The Mazda Foundation (USA) Inc., announced today a \$10,000.00 grant to the North Texas Food Bank to help the organization meet unprecedented demand for food caused by the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The funds will enable the North Texas Food Bank to provide 30,000 meals to residents of the greater Dallas/Plano area.

The award to the North Texas Food Bank is one of nine grant awards that the Mazda Foundation made this month to address food insecurity in six major metropolitan areas across the United States. In total, the grants will enable the awardees to serve an estimated 730,000 meals in the next 12 months.

"The pandemic has created enormous need in communities across the country," said Jeff Guyton, president of Mazda North American Operations and chairman of the Mazda Foundation (USA), Inc. "Addressing a fundamental need like food security is a clear expression of the Mazda Foundation's guiding principle that what matters most is one another."

"At least one in 5 people in North Texas struggle with hunger," said Trisha Cunningham, President and CEO of the North Texas Food Bank. "With the ongoing impact of COVID-19, we know that the needs will continue to grow in the coming months, but thanks to a caring community, and partners like Mazda Foundation, we are equipped to help meet the need for these hungry neighbors."

The funds will be used to support food distribution through a variety of the North Texas Food Bank's programs.

**About Mazda Foundation (USA), Inc.**

As the corporate foundation of Mazda North American Operations (MNAO), the Mazda Foundation has donated more than \$13 million to children's organizations, educational scholarships, food banks, environmental programs, and disaster relief efforts since 1992. To learn more about the Mazda Foundation, please visit [www.mazdafoundation.org](http://www.mazdafoundation.org).

**About North Texas Food Bank**

The North Texas Food Bank (NTFB) is a top-ranked nonprofit hunger-relief organization operating a state-of-the-art volunteer and distribution center in Plano, the Perot Family Campus. Last year, the Food Bank worked hard in partnership with member agencies from our Feeding Network to provide access to almost 97 million nutritious meals across a diverse 13-county service area, exceeding our goal by five years to provide access to 92 million annual meals by 2025. But the need for hunger relief is complex and in order to meet the continued need, the NTFB is always working to increase our food distribution efforts and bridge the hunger gap for children, seniors, and families in North Texas.

NTFB is a member of Feeding America, a national hunger-relief organization.

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