

KNOW HUNGER

Our Mission is to Alleviate Hunger in the Inland Empire

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CEO CORNER



Dear Friends,

Happy New Year! It's hard to believe that another year has come and gone. As we welcome 2019, at Feeding America Riverside | San Bernardino, we reflect with gratitude on all of the blessings, growth, and opportunities that this past year held for us.

Thank You for being a supporter of our food bank and an advocate for hunger-relief services. With all the things there are to worry about in today's world – *hunger should not be one of them.*

It is due to the compassion and generosity of people, like YOU, that we are able to help so many in need in our community, bringing smiles to thousands of people every day.

In February, we open our doors at the food bank for our annual, community event, Ladles of Love. It's an opportunity for us to meet and engage with our supporters while showcasing all the work that we have been able to accomplish - together. We hope that you will join us, as nothing brings us more joy than getting to meet all of you...our Hunger Heroes.

Again, we thank you and want you to know that **you are appreciated.** Wishing you a joyful and blessed 2019!

With Joy,

Stephanie Otero

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President/CEO & Hunger Advocate



AGENCY SPOTLIGHT

The Care Project, Inc.

Based in Riverside, CA., The Care Project, Inc. (TCP) recently joined our Partner Agency Program. This volunteer-led organization founded by breast cancer survivor, Carrie Madrid, dedicates their work to emotionally and financially supporting breast cancer patients and those recovering from breast cancer treatment.

Through this partnership, TCP no longer has to use their funds to purchase gift cards for their terminally ill patients but can shop at the food bank for essential items that their recipients need, including fruits, vegetables, grains, and meats.

Gracious donors allow FARSB to keep our warehouse flowing with healthy, nutritious items needed to sustain a well-balanced diet that recipients of TCP can benefit from.

"We never want our clients to feel like they are lining up to receive a handout. We deliver groceries as a friend would to someone who is sick," said Madrid.

"You all make it easier for us," she added.

We are proud to call TCP a partner of ours. Support of the food bank ensures that FARSB can continue to help The Care Project, Inc. and many other organizations in our community doing phenomenal work for those in need.

SAVE THE DATE: LADLES OF LOVE

It only takes
ONE
GIVING
HEART
to warm
a hundred more.

Join us on Tuesday, February 12, 2019 from 12 p.m. – 1 p.m. for a FREE lunchtime event at the FARSB Warehouse – 2950 Jefferson Street, Riverside, CA. You and your guests will enjoy a soup cook-off by local restaurants, a special keynote speaker and the chance to take home a custom ceramic soup bowl with an \$11 donation. (Every \$11 donated helps us provide up to 100 meals)

Tables are also available for companies and groups wishing to celebrate this special day together and show their love for others in need in our community. RSVP's are a must.

For more information, to become a sponsor, or to RSVP, contact Lori Butler at 951-359-4757. Seating is limited to the first 300 people.

HOLIDAY HEROES (\$1000+)

Thank you to the donors who graciously gifted FARSB from the months of October-December with monetary donations reaching and/ or exceeding \$1,000. Your support means the world to us, and the communities we serve.

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Holiday Recap



MILLION MEALS GALA

Thank you to all who attended and volunteered at our Million Meals Gala – Under the Harvest Moon on November 17, 2018. Together we raised funds to help FARSB provide 687,600 meals. If you were unable to attend and would still like to contribute to our goal, it's not too late. Reach out to Lori Butler at lbutler@feedingamericaie.org or make a donation online and indicate GALA.



EMPTY BOWLS

This year FARSB was presented with a contribution of over \$3000 at the annual Empty Bowls event in downtown Riverside. Empty Bowls helps fight hunger by encouraging local ceramics classes to get creative, get throwing, and get those bowls ready to sell. Bowls were sold for \$10 each and were served with a delicious soup. If you missed this opportunity join us for Ladles of Love in February to learn how you can get involved at the food bank.



KTLA5 TAKE 5 TO CARE

On December 7th, the KTLA, Stater Bros. and FARSB teams accepted contributions at the annual Take 5 to Care LIVE food drive in Chino, CA. With your help, we collected 6373 pounds of shelf-stable food and received nearly \$1,200 in contributions. With touching moments and the promise of a better holiday season for someone in need, we wanted to say thank you for making this event a success!

HIGH DESERT HUB UPDATE

Months ago we introduced you to our High Desert HUB. This newly introduced HUB aimed to support 16 of our partner agencies in the High Desert Region. This grant funded program helped to alleviate hunger through the holidays by allowing FARSB to make monthly trips to the High Desert to provide food to a centralized location that all charities could benefit from. Prior to the start of the program, these 16 charities regularly traveled from Hesperia to Riverside to pick up food for their constituents.

As we approach the new year, FARSB is seeking your support in the continuation of this program, which feeds over 5,600 community members in this region. Can we count on your support in keeping our High Desert HUB open? www.FeedingIE.org/donate



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MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

- Jan. 8** **Food Bank 101 Public Tours**
 Tour the Food Bank
 2nd Tuesday of the Month
 9 AM - 10 AM
 RSVP: Lbutler@feedingamericaie.org
- Feb. 12** **Ladies of Love**
 Free Warehouse Lunch
 2950-B Jefferson St, Riverside, CA 92504
 12 PM - 1 PM
 RSVP: lbutler@feedingamerica.org
- March 12** **Food Bank 101 Public Tours**
 Tour the Food Bank
 2nd Tuesday of the Month
 9 AM - 10 AM
 RSVP: Lbutler@feedingamericaie.org
- April (TBD)** **Volunteer Appreciation Day**
 Details to follow

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