



Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation Awards \$315,000 in Grants to Fund Hunger-Relief Initiatives

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SALISBURY, N.C.--([BUSINESS WIRE](#))--The Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation recently announced it is donating \$315,000 to fund local hunger-relief initiatives through 18 regional food bank partners and its national hunger-relief partner, Feeding America®. The Foundation is donating \$165,000 for child hunger programs, and \$150,000 for innovative, military-focused hunger-relief initiatives. The announcement was made at Food Lion Feeds' [fourth annual "Feedy's" awards](#) this week to honor food banks, community leaders and Food Lion associates who share the company's commitment to ending hunger in the towns and cities Food Lion serves.

"The Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation proudly partners with Food Lion Feeds to fund programs across our footprint supporting our hunger-relief mission," said Adam Bass, president of the Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation. "This year, as every year, we were so humbled to see and support the amazing work these community partners are doing to serve those in need in our towns and cities."

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Child Hunger Grants

Feeding America will receive a \$165,000 grant from the foundation to focus on child hunger and fund the following member food banks, each receiving \$10,000

- America Second Harvest of Coastal Georgia (Savannah, Ga.)
- Blue Ridge Area Food Bank (Charlottesville, Va.)
- Chattanooga Area Food Bank (Chattanooga, Tenn.)
- Feeding America Southwest Virginia (Roanoke, Va.)
- Food Bank of Delaware (Newark, Del.)
- Foodbank of Southeast Virginia & the Eastern Shore (Norfolk, Va.)
- Fredericksburg Area Food Bank (Fredericksburg, Va.)
- Harvest Hope Food Bank (Columbia, S.C.)
- Inter-Faith Food Shuttle (Raleigh, N.C.)
- Lowcountry Food Bank (Myrtle Beach, S.C.)
- MANNA Foodbank (Asheville, N.C.)
- Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina (Charlotte, N.C.)
- Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest N.C. (Winston-Salem, N.C.)
- Virginia Peninsula Foodbank (Hampton, Va.)

Military Grants

- \$90,000 to Lowcountry Food Bank for their pilot program to fight Veteran Hunger in Coastal South Carolina. Through this program, the food bank will be addressing systemic issues and barriers for homeless veterans.
- \$50,000 to Second Harvest Food Bank of Northeast Tennessee for their pilot program, Veterans Serving Veterans. Through this program, the food bank will open eight new stationary food pantries at military and veterans' organizations in eight counties in northeast Tennessee.
- \$10,000 to the Virginia Peninsula Food Bank to expand their military pantry distributions. Through this program, the food bank will be starting pantry distributions on an active military base, the first and only one of its kind.

Since its founding, the Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation has donated more than \$12 million to support hunger-relief and nutrition education programs, including more than \$4.7 million to Feeding America member food banks and United Way agencies who are critical partners in ending hunger in the towns and cities Food Lion serves across its 10-state operating area.

Food Lion launched Food Lion Feeds, its hunger-relief platform, in 2014 with a commitment to donating 500 million meals by the end of 2020. To learn more about Food Lion Feeds, visit www.foodlion.com/feeds.

About Food Lion

Food Lion, based in Salisbury, N.C., since 1957, has more than 1,000 stores in 10 Southeastern and Mid-Atlantic states and employs more than 63,000 associates. By leveraging its longstanding heritage of low prices and convenient locations, Food Lion is working to own the easiest full shop

grocery experience in the Southeast, anchored by a strong commitment to affordability, freshness and the communities it serves. Through Food Lion Feeds, the company has committed to provide 500 million meals to individuals and families in need by the end of 2020. Food Lion is a company of Ahold Delhaize USA, the U.S. division of Zaandam-based Royal Ahold Delhaize Group. For more information, visit www.foodlion.com.

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