

## Food Lion Feeds Plants "Seeds of Hope" in Celebration of Arbor Day Friday, April 28

April 25, 2017

Grocer Partners With Local Food Banks Across Three Markets to Plant Community Gardens

SALISBURY, N.C. – This week, Food Lion Feeds will partner with feeding agencies across three markets including Winston-Salem, N.C., Mooresville, N.C., and Charleston, S.C., to plant community gardens in celebration of Arbor Day on April 28. These "seeds of hope" will assist these agencies in their mission to nourish the hungry in their local communities.

"Food Lion Feeds is proud to support local community garden initiatives, which not only provide a source of nutrition, but are used by food banks as an educational tool," said Christy Phillips-Brown, director of external communication and community relations at Food Lion. "The gardens teach clients how to grow their own vegetables and also encourage them to work and to give back, helping others receive fresh vegetables."

During the events, which will take place on April 27 and April 28, Food Lion volunteers will work side by side with feeding agency volunteers to weed and plant community gardens at the following locations:

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Betty and Jim Holmes Food Bank Garden The Crossnore School 1001 Reynolda Road Winston-Salem, N.C. 27104

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Mooresville Soup Kitchen Community Garden 275 S. Broad Street Mooresville, N.C. 28115

Chesapeake Health Education Program (C.H.E.P) 1502 Manley Ave. N. Charleston, S.C. 29405

Food Lion Feeds is working toward its commitment to provide 500 million meals by the end of 2020. To date, the company has already donated more than 280 million meals.

## **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 Delhaize America, a U.S. division of Zaandam-based Royal Ahold Delhaize Group. For more information, visit www.foodlion.com.

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