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26th ANNUAL STAMP OUR HUNGER® FOOD DRIVE MAY 12
National Association of Letter Carriers to Support Hunger-Relief Efforts

EGG HARBOR TWP., NJ – May 12, 2018

Close to 340,000 New Jersey children face hunger every day. Their families make tough choices just to get by, often deciding between food and other necessities. On Saturday, May 12, the National Association of Letter Carriers will *Stamp Out Hunger®* to support the efforts of the Community FoodBank of New Jersey – Southern Branch in Atlantic, Cape May and Cumberland counties.

Stamp Out Hunger® is the largest one-day food drive in the country. In the quarter-century since it began, the annual food drive has collected almost 1.6 billion pounds of food. Last year, the FoodBank received 95,000 pounds of food that reached struggling men, women and children in our community.

Residents are encouraged to leave bags of non-perishable food by their mailboxes to make an immediate difference in the community. Letter carriers will deliver mail to households and bring donated food (from Atlantic, Cape May and Cumberland counties) to the FoodBank's warehouse in Egg Harbor Township. Some of the FoodBank's most-needed items include peanut butter, canned soup, canned veggies, and canned tuna.

The Community FoodBank of New Jersey, a member of Feeding America®, provides people across the state with food, help and hope. The FoodBank distributed over 50 million pounds of food last year to its more than 1,000 community partners including pantries, soup kitchens, emergency shelters, mobile pantries, and child and senior feeding programs. More than 4.7 million times a year, someone in need is fed by the FoodBank's network of partners. For our neighbors, especially families, and for the volunteers and donors who support them, the Community FoodBank of New Jersey is the powerful change agent that fills the emptiness caused by hunger with the basic human essentials that people need to survive.