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## Community FoodBank of New Jersey Receives \$635,000 Relief Grant from Feeding America Amid COVID-19 Outbreak

*New Jersey Non-Profit to Use Funds to Fight Food Insecurity throughout Pandemic*

**Hillside, NJ (May 28, 2020)** – The [Community FoodBank of New Jersey](#) (CFBNJ), the state's largest anti-hunger and anti-poverty organization, would like to today extend its gratitude to Feeding America, which awarded a generous grant of \$635,994 last month, helping to continue the FoodBank's statewide aid efforts amidst the COVID-19 outbreak. These funds, part of a personal donation of \$100 million from Amazon CEO and philanthropist Jeff Bezos, have been instrumental to CFBNJ in its efforts to continue to serve neighbors in need, helping to further daily operations for the FoodBank during this difficult and uncertain time.

The funds provided helped make April a record-breaking month for the FoodBank, which was able to distribute enough food throughout the Garden State to support more than 7 million nutritious meals, the most ever in its 45-year history. During this critical time, generous grants like this one allow the Community FoodBank of New Jersey to continue to provide essential food through its network of partner agencies to keep vulnerable individuals and families fed – work that would not be possible without supporters like Jeff Bezos and incredible organizations like Feeding America, whose leadership is needed now more than ever.

“Contributions from generous donors like Jeff Bezos are more important to our nation’s food banks now than ever before,” said Carlos Rodriguez, President & CEO of the Community FoodBank of New Jersey. “The entire team at the Community FoodBank of New Jersey is so proud of the record-breaking work we have been able to do during this pandemic, feeding so many New Jersey residents in need. Of course, none of what we do would be possible without the incredible help generous donors provide, and we are both grateful for and humbled by all the support we have received over the last few months.”

Stay informed by visiting [cfbnj.org](#) and checking the Community FoodBank of New Jersey’s Facebook ([@communityfoodbankofnj](#)), Twitter ([@cfbnj](#)) and Instagram ([@cfbnj](#)). Those in need of food can visit [cfbnj.org/findfood](#) to locate a FoodBank partner near them. Neighbors seeking additional nutrition assistance can receive help applying or recertifying for SNAP over the phone by calling 1-908-838-4831.

For more information on other NJ food banks and CFBNJ’s Partner Distribution Organizations visit: **FoodBank of South Jersey**, [foodbanksj.org](#); **Fulfill Monmouth & Ocean**, [fulfillnj.org](#); **Mercer Street Friends**, [mercerstreefriends.org](#); **NORWESCAP**, [norwescap.org](#); **Feeding America**, [feedingamerica.org](#).

### About Community FoodBank of New Jersey

The Community FoodBank of New Jersey (CFBNJ), a member of Feeding America®, has been delivering food, help and hope across the state for 45 years. Last year, CFBNJ provided nutritious food for over 50 million meals through its network of more than 1,000 community partners including pantries, soup kitchens, emergency shelters, mobile pantries, and child and senior feeding programs throughout the 12 New Jersey counties it serves (Atlantic, Bergen, Burlington, Cape May, Cumberland, Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, Morris, Passaic, Somerset and Union). For our hungry neighbors, the

Community FoodBank of New Jersey is the powerful agent of change that fills the emptiness caused by hunger and provides resources that are essential to earning a sustainable living.

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