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COUNTY EMPLOYEES HELP FEED NEEDY DURING HOLIDAY SEASON

Every year since 1991, County of Santa Cruz employees have participated in Second Harvest Food Bank's Annual Holiday Food and Fund Drive.

The County is pleased to announce that during the 26th annual drive in 2016, employees raised enough food and funds to provide 183,187 meals for needy individuals and families – more than 50,000 above the County's goal of 130,000. Last year, County employees raised enough for 153,544 meals.

“We on the Board are very proud of County employees for the care and commitment they consistently show toward the Santa Cruz County community,” Board of Supervisors Chair Bruce McPherson said. “The Holiday Food and Fund Drive is no exception.”

The County encourages everyone to get involved and help their neighbors. You can volunteer at Second Harvest Food Bank (<http://www.thefoodbank.org/volunteer-opportunities/>), or donate here (<http://thefoodbank.org/fooddrive2016>). Every \$10 provides 40 healthy meals, and \$25 fills an entire barrel with healthy food.