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EDITORS NOTE: A list of local community food banks that will be recipients of food collected during this drive is included at the end of this news release.

Wells Fargo begins collection drive for Arizona food banks *July 15-31 effort is the only food drive to span entire state*

Phoenix, June 28, 2010 – Wells Fargo is conducting a summer food drive in Arizona to collect donations for food banks, July 15 to 31. The event is the only statewide food drive held in Arizona – with collection bins in all 261 Community Banking stores throughout the state.

Donations will benefit members of the Association of Arizona Food Banks, which collectively distributed more than 110 million pounds of food last year – enough to provide 235,445 meals every day through 1,600 sites. People who wish to donate cash can send checks to the Association of Arizona Food Banks, 2100 N. Central Ave., Ste. 230, Phoenix, AZ 85004. Donations also may be made online at <http://www.azfoodbanks.org>.

“All of us at Wells Fargo are excited to help with this food drive,” said Pam Conboy, regional president for Wells Fargo Regional Banking in Arizona. “Last summer our team collected 58 tons of food, and this year we hope to provide even more. The need is so great – more than 16 percent of Arizonans live in poverty, including more than 20 percent of children under the age of 18. Our Arizona Wells Fargo team wants to help.”

According to the Association of Arizona Food Banks, local food shelves that are filled during holiday season collection drives in November and December are nearly depleted by summer.



“Today’s economic challenges have placed more pressure than ever on our members and their agencies,” said Ginny Hildebrand, President and CEO, Association of Arizona Food Banks.

“With rising unemployment, demand for food bank service is at record levels. With this drive, Wells Fargo is helping our food banks at a time when the need is critical.”

About Wells Fargo

In Arizona, Wells Fargo has 14,000 team members and 261 stores. Wells Fargo & Company is a diversified financial services company with \$1.2 trillion in assets, providing banking, insurance, investments, mortgage, and consumer and commercial finance through more than 10,000 stores and 12,000 ATMs and the Internet (wellsfargo.com and wachovia.com) across North America and internationally.

Community Food Banks Receiving Donations from local Wells Fargo Store Teams

The Valley and nearby cities:

- St. Mary’s Food Bank Alliance
- United Food Bank
- Desert Mission Food Bank
- St. Anthony’s St. Vincent de Paul (Casa Grande/Maricopa)
- Wickenburg Food Pantry

River Cities and Yuma:

- Bullhead Christian
- Kingman Area Food Bank
- Lake Havasu Community Food Bank
- Yuma Community Food Bank (Yuma/Parker)

Central and Eastern Arizona:

- Bread of Life Missions (Camp Verde)
- United Food Bank (Coolidge)
- Old Town Mission (Cottonwood)
- Food Bank of Payson
- Love Kitchen, Inc. (Pinetop)
- Yavapai Food Bank (Prescott area)
- Sedona Community Food Bank
- Shepherd’s Kitchen Food Bank (Snowflake)
- Whiteriver Assembly of God

Tucson and Southern Arizona:

- Community Food Bank (Tucson area)
- Marana Food Bank (Marana/Oro Valley)
- Douglas Area Food Bank
- Gila Community Food Bank (Globe)
- Green Valley Community Food Bank
- St. Vincent de Paul Community Food Bank (Sierra Vista)
- Nogales Community Food Bank

Northern Arizona:

- St. Mary’s Food Bank Alliance (Flagstaff)
- Our Lady of Fatima (Chinle/Window Rock)
- Holbrook Emergency Food Service
- St. Jude Food Bank (Tuba City and Kayenta)
- Winslow Senior Center (Winslow)