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TEENS TO COLLECT 40,000 FOOD ITEMS IN 8 HOURS FOR AREA HUNGRY
THCF Youth Advisory Council to Hold Fourth Annual Fill Those Trucks Event
Saturday, April 22 from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. at area HyVee locations



EASTERN JACKSON COUNTY, MO (April 4, 2017) Students in the 180+ member Youth Advisory Council at Truman Heartland Community Foundation (THCF) have organized an **8-hour food drive** to benefit residents of their communities. The students have the goal of collecting **10,000** donated items at each location and **filling a box truck** in **8** hours. If they meet this goal, they will relieve hunger in our communities for **4** days.

Event: THCF's Youth Advisory Council Feed the Hungry

Date: Saturday, April 22, 2017

Time: 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Locations: Hy-Vee on 40 Hwy and Noland Road, Independence – benefitting Community Service League

Hy-Vee on 40 Hwy, Blue Springs – benefitting Community Service League

Hy-Vee on 350 Hwy, Raytown – benefitting Raytown Emergency Assistance Program

Hy-Vee on 3rd and Ward, Lee's Summit – benefitting Lee's Summit Social Services

Media Please Contact: Shannon Sundberg sundberg@thcf.org / 816-225-1121, Director of Advancement at Truman Heartland Community Foundation or Henri Goettel henri5711@att.net / 816-405-2226 in advance if you would like to broadcast live from HyVee or interview members of the Youth Advisory Council, Truman Heartland Community Foundation staff, or benefiting nonprofit staff members.

About THCF's Youth Advisory Council

Truman Heartland Community Foundation's Youth Advisory Council is a program to involve young leaders in changing the future through the power of philanthropy. YAC has grown to a council of more than 180 student leaders committed to improving the lives of children and young people throughout our Eastern Jackson County community. YAC is

represented by the following area high schools: Blue Springs, Blue Springs South, Fort Osage, Grain Valley, Lee's Summit, Lee's Summit North, Lee's Summit West, Raytown, Raytown South, Summit Christian Academy, Truman, Van Horn and William Chrisman.

About Community Services League (CSL)

Founded in 1916 by a group of local women including Bess Wallace Truman, CSL is a non-profit organization striving to promote economic stability by offering emergency assistance, employment services, housing counseling, and other resources to families in need. CSL operates at 10 locations with the main office and two outreach offices in Independence, plus offices in Blue Springs, Buckner, Grain Valley, Lee's Summit, Oak Grove, and Raytown. CSL is a United Way Agency and a 501(c)(3) organization as designated by the IRS.

About Lee's Summit Social Services (LSSS)

For more than 20 years, Lee's Summit Social Services has been assisting low-income, elderly and disabled persons in its service area. LSSS is a nonprofit organization promoting economic stability by offering emergency assistance, life skills and goals, and other resources to families and individuals in need. LSSS is a United Way Agency and a 501(c)(3) organization as designated by the IRS.

About Raytown Emergency Assistance Program (REAP)

Founded in 1982 to raise funding for utility assistance in the Raytown area, Raytown Emergency Assistance Program is a nonprofit organization striving to promote economic stability by offering emergency assistance and a variety of resources to Raytown families in need. REAP is supported by the city of Raytown, civic and school organizations, businesses, churches, and many individuals who give time, resources, and finances. REAP is a United Way Agency and a 501(c)(3) organization as designated by the IRS.

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