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Thorntons Distributes \$200,000 for Hunger Relief Efforts and Launches “Round Up” Program to Raise Additional Funds for Local Communities

(Louisville, KY – August 13, 2020) – Thorntons is proud to announce \$200,000 in donations to help feed the hungry in the communities where our Team Members and Guests live and work. Funds from the sale of a limited edition 24 oz. coffee have been distributed among 22 local hunger relief organizations.

Thorntons continues to engage Guests in raising funds for hunger relief through a new “Round Up” program. At the register, Guests are invited to round up their purchases to the nearest dollar for a donation to the store’s local hunger relief partner. As with the coffee proceeds, all funds raised in a community will stay in that community.

“Giving back to the communities where our Team Members and Guests live and work has always been a key part of who we are at Thorntons,” said Simon Richards, President and Chief Executive Officer. “We believe that all people should get the food they need to thrive and grow and we are proud to support these fantastic organizations that work tirelessly to feed the hungry in our communities. We are grateful to our Team Members and the many Guests who are joining us in raising funds for local hunger relief.”

Thorntons is a long-standing food donation partner of Louisville-based Kentucky Harvest, having donated more than 1 million pounds of surplus food over the years. Early this year, Thorntons partnered with Feeding America to launch a company-wide program to further support hunger relief in our communities. Together, on average Thorntons stores donate more than 10,000 pounds of surplus food monthly to local nonprofits.

[View the original pledge announcement here](#)

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About Thorntons LLC

Based in Louisville, Kentucky, Thorntons operates more than 200 stores that provide high quality fresh foods, beverages and fuel in six states: Kentucky, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Tennessee and Florida. The company’s mission is to be people’s favorite place to stop when they are on-the-go and people’s favorite place to work. Thorntons is a vertically integrated company with its own fuel terminal, blending plants, transportation fleet and commissary. Thorntons has a passion for giving back to the communities where Guests and Team Members live and work. Thorntons volunteers make their communities better through community service, humanitarian day events and fundraising projects. Learn more about Thorntons by visiting www.mythorntons.com. Connect with Thorntons on Facebook www.facebook.com/thorntonsllc and Twitter @ThorntonsLLC.

Donation Recipients

Kentucky Harvest and Dare to Care in Louisville, KY and Southern Indiana; God’s Pantry in Lexington, KY; Gleaners Food Bank of Indiana in Indianapolis, IN; Terre Haute Catholic Charities in Terre Haute, IN; Tri-State Food Bank in Evansville, IN; Shared Harvest Food Bank in Fairfield, OH; Freestore Foodbank in Cincinnati, OH; Mid-Ohio Food Collective in Grove City, OH; River Bend Foodbank in Columbus, OH; Greater Chicago Food Depository in Chicago, IL; Northern Illinois Food Bank in Geneva, IL; Central Illinois Food Bank in Springfield, IL; Eastern Illinois Food Bank in Urbana, IL; The Fish Food Pantry in Carpentersville, IL; Bridgeway Church Food Pantry in Creve Coeur, IL; Pleasant Valley Missionary Baptist Church Food Mission in East Peoria, IL; East Peoria First United Methodist Church in East Peoria, IL; Boys and Girls Club Pekin in Pekin, IL; Second Harvest Food Bank of Middle Tennessee in Nashville, TN; The Ark Community Resource Center in Pegram, TN and Feeding Tampa Bay in Tampa, FL

