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SANDHILLS LETTER CARRIERS TO PERFORM DOUBLE DUTY ON SATURDAY DURING "STAMP OUT HUNGER FOOD DRIVE"

SOUTHERN PINES, NC - On Saturday May 11, letter carriers in the Sandhills will perform double duty on their routes – deliver the mail and collect food items to benefit the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina at Sandhills and its partner agencies (rescue missions, food pantries) during the **21st Annual STAMP OUT HUNGER FOOD DRIVE**.

On Stamp Out Hunger Day, the public is asked to simply place bags filled with nonperishable food items next to their mailbox. For the second year, bags are donated by AARP. A Letter Carrier will collect the donation and take it back to their postal branch where Food Bank volunteers will be on site throughout the day to unload the postal trucks.

The Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina has more than 560,000 individuals in their 34-county service area who struggle to put and keep meals on the table. In the four counties served by the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina at Sandhills, nearly 35,000 individuals are at risk of hunger.

The Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive comes at a critical time when holiday food drive donations are long gone.

Go to www.foodbankcenc.org for more information.

ATTACHMENTS

- Stamp Out Hunger Logo
- Stamp Out Hunger_mailbox

About the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina

The Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina is a nonprofit organization that has provided food for people at risk of hunger in 34 counties in central and eastern North Carolina for 30 years. The Food Bank serves a network of more than 800 partner agencies such as soup kitchens, food pantries, shelters, and programs for children and adults through warehouses in Durham, Greenville, New Bern, Raleigh, the Sandhills (Southern Pines) and Wilmington. In fiscal year 2011-2012, the Food Bank distributed nearly 45 million pounds of food and non-food essentials through these agencies. Sadly, hunger remains a serious problem in central and eastern North Carolina. In these counties, more than 560,000 struggle each day to provide enough food for their families. www.foodbankcenc.org. Twitter: @FoodBankCENC

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