



MEDIA ADVISORY

NEW BERN FOOD BANK RECEIVES NEW FREEZER

May 21, 2014 (New Bern, NC)- The Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina will now be able to distribute even more nutritious protein to partner agencies in the New Bern service area. Thanks to the generous support of partners Cubic, the USAA Foundation, and Christ Episcopal Church of New Bern, the branch now has a new walk in freezer.

The freezer holds up to 14 pallets or approximately 14,000 pounds of food.

The Food Bank will dedicate the freezer on Friday, May 23 at 10 a.m. Following the dedication, a donation of product will be received and loaded into the freezer.

In fiscal year 2012-2013, the New Bern Branch distributed the equivalent of 1.5 million meals to those struggling with hunger in Carteret, Craven, Jones, Onslow, and Pamlico Counties.

WHO: Food Bank of Central & Eastern NC at New Bern

WHAT: Freezer Dedication and Product Donation

WHERE: 205 S. Glenburnie Road, New Bern, NC 28560

WHEN: Friday, May 23, 2014
10 a.m.

WHY: Since 1980, the Food Bank has been providing food assistance to families in 34 counties of central and eastern NC. In the five counties served by the Food Bank at New Bern, nearly 50,000 individuals are at risk of hunger. For every dollar donated the Food Bank is able to distribute \$10 worth of food or 5 meals.

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The main office of the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina is located at 3808 Tarheel Drive in Raleigh. The New Bern Branch is located at 205 South Glenburnie Road in New Bern. Additional warehouses are located in Durham, Greenville, Southern Pines, and Wilmington.

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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 more than 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 2012-2013, the Food Bank distributed nearly 52 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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