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Wells Fargo Makes \$28,000 Contribution to Food Bank

Customers select the Food Bank to receive award

Raleigh, NC – The Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina received a \$25,000 contribution from Wells Fargo during a check presentation on Thursday, October 27. The donation is part of the integration of Wells Fargo and Wachovia. Based on voting by Wachovia customers and team members, the grant is part of a broader integration-related charitable effort to provide more than \$2.8 million to organizations serving people in need.

“The Food Bank is incredibly thankful to the customers of Wells Fargo who ultimately chose our organization to benefit from this program,” said Emily Barbour, Vice President of Development for the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina. “The additional support from employees at the Wells Fargo stores will allow the Food Bank to stretch this gift even farther.”

“We are thrilled to be able to provide this grant to the Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina,” said Jack Clayton, Triangle East Community Banking regional president for Wells Fargo. “They play such an important role in many lives and our grant will enable them to provide additional services to families and individuals in need. For our own business to be successful, we must be willing to give back to the community.”

An additional \$3,000 contribution was made through Raleigh area Wells Fargo Branches through a Community Partner Program held at Marbles Children’s Museum on October 27. Awards were made to several other area organizations through this program including Urban Ministries of Wake County and Durham Rescue Mission.

Each dollar donated to the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina can provide 4 meals to those at risk for hunger in central and eastern North Carolina.

Donations are needed more than ever to help replenish food bank shelves after two natural disasters affected the much of eastern North Carolina. The Food Bank of Central & Eastern NC alone has distributed a total of more than 1 million pounds of disaster relief product as a result of the April tornadoes and Hurricane Irene.

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L to R: Emily Barbour, VP of Development, Food Bank of Central & Eastern NC; Ed Carney, CISCO, Chair of Food Bank Board of Directors; Peter Werbicki, President/CEO, Food Bank of Central & Eastern NC; Damon Dishman, Community Banking President of the Triangle East North Region for Wells Fargo.

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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 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 2010-2011, the Food Bank distributed more than 42.75 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 500,000 struggle each day to provide enough food for their families. www.foodbankcenc.org.

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