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**Chattanooga Area Food Bank receives donation check
from Publix Super Markets' 2017 Food For All Campaign**

Chattanooga, TN – The Chattanooga Area Food Bank (Food Bank), serving hunger relief in 20 counties across Southeast Tennessee and Northwest Georgia, announced that on Thursday, April 26, 2018, local representatives from Publix Super Markets presented a check to the Food Bank in the amount of \$40,565.99. This donation came from their 2017 Food For All campaign, an annual event that distributes funds to support programs that fight hunger and advocate for self-sufficiency on a local and regional level.

“Our stores throughout Georgia, Alabama and Tennessee are pleased to participate in this annual fundraiser,” said Brenda Reid, Publix media and community relations manager, Atlanta division. “Thanks to the generosity of our customers – and the enthusiasm of our associates – the campaign is helping to make a difference in the lives of so many in the communities we serve.”

In December 2017, Publix customers and associates contributed to the campaign by purchasing donation coupons in \$1, \$3, or \$5 amounts that were scanned during the checkout and added to their purchase total. Food For All is a program of [making change®](#), a 501(c)(3) charitable organization that has partnered with Publix since 1988 to create a successful campaign. “We commend Publix for their continued commitment to social responsibility and good corporate citizenship, and are honored to help facilitate their annual Food For All fundraiser,” said Dave McConnell, president and CEO of making change.

The donation to the Food Bank equates to over 162,000 meals that will be provided to hungry neighbors in Chattanooga and the surrounding counties that the Food Bank serves. “We are very grateful for our partnership with Publix Super Markets, and appreciate all of the support we receive from them throughout the year,” said Gina Crumbliss, President and CEO for the Food Bank. “With their support, we are better equipped to fight hunger in our area.”

About the Chattanooga Area Food Bank

Founded in 1972 and renamed in 1983, the Chattanooga Area Food Bank is committed to leading a network of partners in eliminating hunger and promoting better nutrition in our region. The Food Bank acquires and distributes healthy food across a 20-county service region including Southeast Tennessee and Northwest Georgia with help from its network of over 300 partner agencies. Last year alone, the Food Bank distributed over 16.3 million pounds of food (equal to 13.6 million meals) and served over 25,000 people each week. In addition to food provision, the Food Bank works to engage the public in the fight to end hunger and empower people to take responsibility for their health and their lives. For more information or to find out how you can get involved, visit our [website](#), like us on [Facebook](#), or follow us on [Twitter](#).

About Publix

Publix is privately owned and operated by its 200,000 employees, with 2016 sales of \$34 billion. Currently, Publix has 1,145 stores in Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, South Carolina and North Carolina. The company has been named one of Fortune's "100 Best Companies to Work For in America" for 20 consecutive years. In addition, Publix's dedication to superior quality and customer service is recognized among the top in the grocery business. For more information, visit the company's website, corporate.publix.com.

About Food For All® and making change®

Food For All® is a program of making change®, a 501(c)(3) charitable organization that partners with thousands of grocery retailers nationwide to run point-of-purchase fundraisers. Since 1985, the organization has successfully raised more than \$105 million to fund nonprofit organizations in the United States and around the world. For more information, please visit www.makingchange.org.

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