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MEDIA ALERT

FORGOTTEN HARVEST TURKEY EXPRESS TO DISTRIBUTE MORE THAN 10,000 POUNDS OF TURKEY TO LOCAL FOOD RELIEF AGENCIES

WHAT: Forgotten Harvest's Turkey Express makes several stops in metro Detroit, delivering more than 2,500 pounds of turkey to each of four locations in Wayne, Macomb and Oakland counties. Food partners Meijer and Busch's Markets will provide an estimated 700 turkeys to be distributed to help feed hungry people in southeast Michigan.

The Hope Center in Fraser will be receiving food deliveries from Forgotten Harvest for the first time, allowing the agency to feed an additional 40 families per year. Any Macomb County resident can request food from the Hope Center. The number of people who fell at or below the poverty rate in Macomb County increased by 13, 600 people in just the last year. 10.9% of Macomb County residents live at or below the poverty line.

WHEN/ **Monday, December 13**

WHERE:

8:30 a.m. Hospitality House
1600 W. Maple Road, **Walled Lake** 48390

10:30 a.m. Fish & Loaves
25670 Northline, **Taylor** 48180

Noon Jesus Tabernacle of Deliverance
11001 Chalmers, **Detroit** 48213

2 p.m. Hope Center
33222 Groesbeck Hwy, **Fraser** 48026

WHY: "By 2013, more than one-quarter of all metro Detroiters are expected to face hunger," said Russ Russell, Chief Development Officer for Forgotten Harvest. "By continuing to expand our food delivery and adding agencies, we can help safe guard against the food insecurity facing our area."

MORE: Forgotten Harvest was formed in 1990 to fight two problems: hunger and waste. Forgotten Harvest "rescued" 19.4 million pounds of food last year by collecting surplus prepared and perishable food from 455 sources, including grocery stores, fruit and vegetable markets, restaurants, caterers, dairies, farmers, wholesale food distributors and other Health Department-approved sources. This donated food, which would otherwise go to waste, is delivered free-of-charge to 158 emergency food providers in the metro Detroit area. Learn more about Forgotten Harvest and how to help drive hunger from our community at www.forgottenharvest.org.

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