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HANFORD SITE EMPLOYEES COLLECT FOOD FOR NEEDY

Over 16,000 pounds of food donated to food banks in Tri-Cities and surrounding areas

RICHLAND, WA - For the past 25 years, Hanford employees have been collecting non-perishable food items for those in need during an annual food drive. Everyone deserves a hot meal over the holidays, and Hanford employees stepped up once again to help make that possible.

Hanford's Mission Support Alliance (MSA) led the Hanford Site Community Food Drive this year donating \$4,000 for the purchase of frozen turkeys from Costco to accompany the food items donated by Hanford Site employees. The food drive ran December 1-14.

Other Hanford contractors also participated by giving cash contributions that were used to purchase more food items. CH2M HILL Plateau Remediation Company donated \$2,500 and Washington River Protection Solutions contributed \$500. Union members from the Hanford Atomic Metal Trades Council (HAMTC) also contributed an additional \$1,975.

Over 16,000 pounds of food was delivered on December 15 to Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFWs) and area food banks in the Tri-Cities and surrounding areas between Burbank and Yakima.

While many good-hearted Hanford employees donated the much needed food items, there also were many good spirited individuals who donated their time to ensure delivery of all of the bounty.

The food drive would not be possible without the help of the Hanford Patrol Law Enforcement Explorer Post that is comprised of young men and women between the ages of 14 and 20, who "*love doing this every holiday because it feels amazing to give back to communities around our area,*" and believe "*it really opens your eyes to different communities in need.*"

Essential logistical help came from the Kennewick Coast Guard Aids to Navigation Team members who played a pivotal role providing the needed transportation vehicles and generous helping hands.

MSA wishes to thank everyone involved in this year's food drive. The support and generosity of the Hanford Site workers and contractors is truly inspirational. Their support ensures the food drive's success each and every year.

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About the MSA

The Mission Support Alliance is a team led by Lockheed Martin, Jacobs Engineering and WSI, and has responsibility for the Mission Support Contract at the Hanford Site. The MSA team provides a number of cross-cutting services to the DOE and other contractors at the Hanford Site such as site infrastructure and utilities, logistics and transportation, environmental integration, safety, health and quality, interface management, emergency services and training, strategy and external affairs, information management and portfolio management.