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**MISSION SUPPORT ALLIANCE PROVIDES SUPPORT TO SECOND HARVEST**

RICHLAND, Wash. – Last week, Mission Support Alliance (MSA) announced a new partnership with Second Harvest to support childhood hunger relief as a sponsor of Second Harvest’s Bite2Go program, which provides weekend food supplies for students. More than 30 MSA employees and family members spent a few hours of their own time sorting food for a school mobile food bank at Second Harvest. The team sorted almost 14,000 pounds of apples and potatoes, which will provide more than 11,000 meals.

MSA Chief Operations Officer Bob Wilkinson helped with the food sort and said, “It was eye opening to learn about how many people in our region suffer from ‘food insecurity,’ but it was rewarding to know that we were making a difference. Through corporate donations and employee volunteerism, MSA is proud to be able to help make an impact and ensure that fewer children in the Tri-Cities go hungry.”

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**About Second Harvest**

Second Harvest was founded in 1971 as a central warehouse for a handful of emergency food pantries in Spokane. Today, hunger solution centers in Spokane and the Tri-Cities partner with 250 neighborhood food banks and meal centers to feed more than 55,000 hungry people each week. Second Harvest provides 2 million pounds of free food each month to fill nutritional gaps for people in poverty, the working poor, elderly and disabled people on very low fixed incomes, and children and families in temporary crisis. Second Harvest gets food to where it’s needed most in 21 counties in Eastern Washington and five counties in North Idaho – a service territory that spans just over 51,000 square miles. Second Harvest works to feed hope, fight hunger and foster health in the community.

**About MSA**

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