

Grace Baptist Church 10816 S. Parker Rd. Parker, CO 80134 4/22/22

Dear Senator/Representative:

I have been a Hunger Relief Partner of Food Bank of the Rockies since 2012. As the Director of Grace Baptist Food Bank, I believe strongly that we need to do everything we can to help each and every Coloradan thrive and food security is essential to achieve this goal.

In fiscal year 2021, in partnership with Food Bank of the Rockies, we distributed over 2,569,213 pounds of food. We have been greatly blessed in our partnership with Food Bank of the Rockies. Food Bank of the Rockies goes above and beyond in their efforts to help us secure food for our community and many, many people have been helped in our community through their efforts. Hard working parents, older adults, and children get the food they need to make it through difficult times because of the work we do with the Food Bank and their extensive network of over 800 Hunger Relief Partners.

I am thrilled to support their request for federal community project funding and believe there is no better use of these funds than ensuring that Food Bank of the Rockies has the tools and resources they need to equitably serve Colorado and nourish all people facing hunger.

Sincerely,

Heather Bright Grace Baptist Church Director, Grace Baptist Food Bank



Thai Nguyen Executive Director Kaizen Food Rescue 2900 S Shoshone St. Englewood, CO 80110

Dear Senator/Representative:

I have been a Hunger Relief Partner of Food Bank of the Rockies since July 17, 2019. As the Founder and Executive at Kaizen Food Rescue, I believe strongly that we need to do everything we can to help each and every Coloradan thrive and food security is essential to achieve this goal.

In fiscal year 2021, in partnership with Food Bank of the Rockies, we distributed over 5 million pounds of food. By collaborating with them, we are able to obtain nutritious, culturally relevant, and fresh foods. Our communities depend on the food we distribute each and every day. This partnership enables us to better serve our communities – together. Hard working parents, older adults, and kids get the food they need to make it through difficult times because of the work we do with the Food Bank and their extensive network of over 800 Hunger Relief Partners.

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Thai Nguyen

Executive Director + Founder Kaizen Food Rescue



Adams County Emergency Food Bank (ACFB) 7111 E 56th Avenue Commerce City, CO 80022

April 21, 2022

Dear Congressman Jason Crow,

Our Commerce City food bank is one of many regional food distribution centers that greatly benefit from partnership with Food Bank of the Rockies. As Executive Director of Adams County Food Bank, I have been working closely with FBR during the last decade. The outcome of our collaboration means that we have provided 4+ million pounds of nutritious food to the low-income residents in our region each and every year.

Due to our FBR collaboration we can keep pace with demand for food, increase the amount of food distributed, and safely distribute food. Our food bank anticipates distributing food to a projected 15,000 different Adams County residents this year, meaning our dependence on ongoing successful operations at Food Bank of the Rockies is critical.

Obtaining food from FBR is a process that efficiently and effectively brings food to ACFB. We are able to distribute nutritious food, including fresh fruit and vegetables, through the following four programs all coordinated through Food Bank of the Rockies.

Community Food Distribution: Purchased and donated food items, including whole-grain bread, and perishable food items such as milk, fruit, vegetables, eggs, and yogurt, are distributed three times a week. ACFB adapts food distribution to the needs of each family and individual. Families can receive food from this program once a week.

Community Commodities Program: ACFB distributes USDA commodities including meat, fish, beans, peanut butter, and milk, canned, dried and fresh fruits and vegetables, juices, rice, pasta, and cereal. Families and individuals can receive food once a month.

Senior Food Commodities Program: ACFB also provides a food box to low-income seniors (60+). Items include protein like canned meat, dried beans, milk, canned or dried fruits and canned vegetables, juice and pasta. Qualifying seniors can receive the food box once a month.

We are greatly encouraged by, and strongly support the prospect of the federal community project funding that may be available to FBR. Fundamentally, hunger relief for children, adults and seniors at our Commerce City food bank is directly connected to our partnership with Food Bank of the Rockies. Federal funding ensures the continuance of programs that help people in difficult circumstances, and is the basis for real community building.

Most Sincerely,

Linda King, Executive Director

F.I.S.H. of Commerce City Food Bank @ Our Saviour Lutheran Church 6770 Monaco Street Commerce City, CO 80022 (720)633-3604

Dear Senator/Representative:

I have been a Hunger Relief Partner of Food Bank of the Rockies for many years. As the President of FISH of Commerce City Food Bank, I believe strongly that we need to do everything we can to help each and every Coloradan thrive and food security is essential to achieve this goal.

In fiscal year 2021, in partnership with Food Bank of the Rockies, we distributed over 100,000 pounds of food. By collaborating with them, we are able to obtain nutritious, culturally relevant, and fresh foods. Our communities depend on the food we distribute each and every day. This partnership enables us to better serve our communities – together. Hard working parents, older adults, and kids get the food they need to make it through difficult times because of the work we do with the Food Bank and their extensive network of over 800 Hunger Relief Partners.

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Dana Wood President FISH of Commerce City Food Bank



HOPE'S PROVISION 9940 E COSTILLA AVE STE O CENTENNIAL, CO 80112

Hope's Provision, Inc 9940 E Costilla Ave Ste O Centennial, CO 80112

April 20th, 2022

Dear Senator/Representative:

I have been a Hunger Relief Partner of Food Bank of the Rockies since March 2020. As the Director of Operations at Hopes Provision, Inc, I believe strongly that we need to do everything we can to help each and every Coloradan thrive and food security is essential to achieve this goal.

In fiscal year 2021, in partnership with Food Bank of the Rockies, we distributed over 300,000 pounds of food. By collaborating with them, we are able to obtain nutritious, culturally relevant, and fresh foods. Our communities depend on the food we distribute each and every day. This partnership enables us to better serve our communities – together. Hard working parents, older adults, and kids get the food they need to make it through difficult times because of the work we do with the Food Bank and their extensive network of over 800 Hunger Relief Partners.

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Jessica Medlin Hope's Provision, Inc Director of Operations