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# **Mountain Water Co. donates \$10,000 to Missoula Food Bank's annual Holiday Drive**

*Company continues long tradition of support for Missoula's hungry.*

**MISSOULA, Mont. (January 29, 2015)** — Thousands of Missoula residents enjoyed holiday meals this winter thanks to the generosity of local donors who helped the Missoula Food Bank surpass its \$225,000 goal for its 2014 Holiday Drive. The community came together to provide 55,561 pounds of food plus \$237,957.62 in funds. Those donations provided food for more than 6,000 individuals in the community.

For the second year in a row, Mountain Water Company supported the drive with a \$10,000 community matching donation challenge. Since 2002, Mountain Water has proudly supported Missoula Food Bank's mission to provide emergency food assistance and reduce hunger.

"We are honored to be part of a community that recognizes and addresses the basic needs of those who are most vulnerable," said John Kappes, president of Mountain Water Company. "Working with those who participated in our dollar-for-dollar matching challenge, we are happy to bring some relief to people facing financial stress during the holiday season."

Mountain Water Company teamed up with First Security Bank to sponsor Missoula Food Bank's 29th Annual Holiday Drive. KPAX served as the media sponsor for the Holiday Drive.

"In late November, Missoula Food Bank was able to distribute more than 1,800 Thanksgiving Day meals to local families who would otherwise have gone without," said Aaron Brock, executive director of the Missoula Food Bank. "The

support of Mountain Water and the Missoula community is a true testament to our values as Missoulians.”

Mountain Water would also like to congratulate Cynthia Lotty for her generous service to our community as executive director for the Missoula Food Bank over the last 16 years. The company wishes Cindy well in her retirement.

**About Mountain Water Company**

Mountain Water Co. provides quality tap water, irrigation and fire flow to 72,000 residents in Missoula through 37 wells, 21 booster stations, 40 pressure reducing valve stations, 24 storage facilities with a capacity of more than 10 million gallons, and 320 miles of main. Additional information may be found online by visiting [mtnwater.com](http://mtnwater.com) or on Facebook at [www.Facebook.com/MountainWaterCo](https://www.facebook.com/MountainWaterCo).

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