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Catholic Charities of Bakersfield to Hold Turkey Drive on Nov. 16

Carniciera La Carreta, KUZZ and Catholic Charities team up to feed families in need this holiday season

(BAKERSFIELD, CA) – On Friday, November 16, Catholic Charities and KUZZ will be collecting turkeys and monetary donations at Carniceria La Carreta at 3015 Calloway Drive from 9AM - 2PM to help feed hungry families this Thanksgiving. Through this effort, Catholic Charities will feed approximately 250 families this Thanksgiving with a turkey and holiday meal box that they're able to take home and enjoy over the holiday.

Catholic Charities will continue to accept donations through Monday, Nov 19 from 8:00am – 3pm and are located at 809 Chester Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93301. Any donation large or small makes a big difference to a family in need this holiday season.

The organization is also looking for volunteers to assist them with daily services throughout the busy holiday months. Students, retirees and all those who have any amount of time to spare are all invited to consider volunteering in order to help provide hope to families less fortunate. To learn how you can get involved, please call (661) 281-2130.

Catholic Charities is a Community Benefit Organization serving the needs of those in crisis regardless of race, age or religious beliefs. They hold highly coveted ratings on Charity Navigator and GuideStar USA for sound fiscal management and commitment to accountability and transparency and \$0.90 of every dollar donated goes directly to programs and services.

Clients include those from all walks of life, from any faith or background, including those who can barely make it paycheck to paycheck, those who may have lost their home to a fire, those who have recently taken in a family member, and so many others. Families experiencing difficult economic times are invited to seek assistance year-round in the form of food and other basic necessities. Annually, Catholic Charities provides services to over 140,000 clients through sites in Bakersfield, Fresno and Merced.