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**STARBUCKS PROVIDES \$10,000 GRANT TO HAWAII FOODBANK IN SUPPORT  
OF THE NONPROFIT'S 'OHANA PRODUCE PLUS PROGRAM**

*Proceeds Will Help Feed Hungry Families Across the State*

HONOLULU (August 7, 2019) – Hawaii Foodbank is pleased to announce it has received a \$10,000 grant from Starbucks to help alleviate hunger. Proceeds will help support Hawaii Foodbank's efforts to further expand its 'Ohana Produce Plus (OPP) program and provide food for one in eight hungry residents with fresh produce and other perishable food items.

Recipients of the 'Ohana Produce Plus Program include families with low income, individuals with disabilities, the homeless and working poor on Oahu and Kauai. For many people, 'Ohana Produce Plus is their only source of fresh fruits and vegetables.

"For more than 20 years, Hawaii Foodbank and participating food partner agencies have distributed millions of pounds of fresh produce, assorted dry goods and nonperishable items to hungry residents through the 'Ohana Produce Plus Program," said Ron Mizutani, President and CEO of Hawaii Foodbank. "We are proud to partner with Starbucks and Feeding America® to ensure that people who struggle with hunger have access to wholesome meals. This grant exemplifies what we can accomplish when we work together."

Starbucks is increasing its commitment to ending hunger, particularly among children and families, by investing in Feeding America programs and affiliates across the U.S. This summer, the company has committed \$1.5 million to 17 food banks across the United States, including Hawaii Foodbank, as part of its efforts to help alleviate hunger. The company has also donated 15 million meals since 2016 through its U.S. FoodShare program, and is expanding hunger-related donation programs to additional countries around the world.

“Starbucks is committed to doing our part to alleviate hunger in the U.S.,” says Jane Maly, social impact manager at Starbucks. “Our grant to Hawaii Food Bank’s mobile pantry program is an expansion on our existing partnership to donate our surplus food, helping them to provide access to give kids the nourishment they need to learn and succeed.”

For more information, please visit [www.hawaiifoodbank.org](http://www.hawaiifoodbank.org).

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### **About the Hawaii Foodbank**

Hawaii Foodbank, in partnership with the food industry and community, serves as a link between charities and those in need of food assistance including the elderly, families, children and those facing financial crises each week. Last year, the Hawaii Foodbank distributed over 12.5 million pounds of food in Oahu and Kauai, including 3 million pounds of fresh produce. Hawaii Foodbank is a certified member of Feeding America and operates as the official food bank in the State of Hawaii. For more information, visit [www.hawaiifoodbank.org](http://www.hawaiifoodbank.org) or call (808) 836-3600.

### **About Starbucks**

Since 1971, Starbucks Coffee Company has been committed to ethically sourcing and roasting high-quality arabica coffee. Today, with more than 30,000 stores around the globe, Starbucks is the premier roaster and retailer of specialty coffee in the world. Through our unwavering commitment to excellence and our guiding principles, we bring the unique Starbucks Experience to life for every customer through every cup. To share in the experience, please visit us in our stores or online at <https://stories.starbucks.com/> and [www.Starbucks.com](http://www.Starbucks.com).

