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SAMARITAN HOUSE RECEIVES DONATION FROM FOOD LION FEEDS CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA – Samaritan House is a grateful recipient of a \$3,000 grant from the Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation that will help feed victims of domestic violence, homelessness and human trafficking in Hampton Roads.

“Food insecurity among our clients has become more acute since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic last year and this generous donation from the Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation will allow us to help more families in Hampton Roads,” said Robin Gauthier, Executive Director Samaritan House.

Over the past year, demand for services for victims of domestic violence and human trafficking have spiked due to the pandemic. This grant will have an immediate, positive effect as Samaritan House provides nutritional assistance and addresses food insecurity for our clients in emergency housing.

The Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation is committed to supporting families facing food insecurity across our 10-state footprint. Established in 2001, the foundation provides financial support for programs and organizations dedicated to feeding local neighbors in the communities it serves. Since its inception, the foundation has awarded more than \$14 million in grants.

About The Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation:

The Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation is the philanthropic arm of Food Lion, based in Salisbury, N.C. Established in 2001, the Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation provides financial support for programs and organizations dedicated to eliminating hunger. The charitable foundation has provided more than \$12 million in grant funding helping to nourish communities with fresh food for backpack programs, Kids Café's, and other hunger-relief programs as well as funding for long-term programs to help shorten the lines at food banks. The charitable foundation partners with Feeding America, the nation's largest hunger-relief agency, in addition to local food agencies serving the 10 Southeastern and Mid-Atlantic states in which Food Lion operates. For more information, visit www.foodlion.com/in-our-community.

About Food Lion:

Food Lion, based in Salisbury, N.C., since 1957, has more than 1,000 stores in 10 Southeastern and Mid-Atlantic states and employs more than 77,000 associates. By leveraging its longstanding heritage of low prices and convenient locations, Food Lion is working to own the easiest full shop grocery experience in the Southeast, anchored by a strong commitment to affordability, freshness, and the communities it serves. Through Food Lion Feeds, the company has donated more than 500 million meals to individuals and families since 2014, and has committed to donate 1 billion more meals by 2025. Food Lion is a company of Ahold Delhaize USA, the U.S. division of Zaandam-based Ahold Delhaize. For more information, visit www.foodlion.com or job applicants may visit www.foodlion.com/careers.

About Samaritan House: Since 1984, Samaritan House has sought to foster personal safety, growth and self-sufficiency in adults and their children through freedom from sexual and domestic violence, human trafficking and homelessness in Hampton Roads by providing emergency and permanent housing, support services and community outreach to victims. For additional information, visit: www.samaritanhouseva.org

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