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FOOD BANK OF CENTRAL AND EASTERN NC AT GREENVILLE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Raleigh, NC – Hunger does not take the weekend off. Nor does it take summer vacations. The Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina (FBCENC) **at Greenville** are experts at distributing food to 122 agencies and 37 mobile food pantries in 10 counties in eastern North Carolina. The Greenville Branch offers some “hands on” experience, too. Volunteers are needed to assist in the efficient sorting and packaging of food donations, especially produce. There is even a special opportunity for kids to help on weekends.

WHO: Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina at Greenville

WHAT: Volunteer Opportunities
(Labeling, Sorting, Bagging, Egg Sorting, Hosting a Food Drive)

WHEN: Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. (12 and over)
2nd Saturday of each month, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. (ages 5-11) **KID'S DAY**

WHERE: 497 West Ninth Street
Greenville, NC 27834
(252) 752-4996

WHY:

- In the 34 counties served by the Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina (FBCENC)
- More than 400,000 people at risk of hunger and are at or below the federal poverty guideline
- Nearly 30% of the people served by the FBCENC are children.
- 18% of the people served by the FBCENC are elderly.
- 38% of households served by the FBCENC have one or more working adults in the household.

For more information about volunteer opportunities at the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina **at Greenville**, contact Katie Benson, Volunteer Coordinator at (252) 752-4996 ext.23 or kbenson@foodbankcenc.org.

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About the Food Bank of Eastern & Central North Carolina

The Food Bank of Eastern & Central North Carolina is a nonprofit organization that provides food for people who are hungry in 34 counties in central and eastern North Carolina. The Food Bank serves a network of more than 880 partner agencies offering soup kitchens, food pantries, shelters, and programs for children and adults. In fiscal year 2005, the Food Bank distributed more than 31 million pounds of food and non-food essentials to these agencies. Sadly, hunger remains a serious problem in central and eastern North Carolina. In these counties, more than 400,000 struggle each day to provide enough food for their families.

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