



Local Charity Wins Despite Patriots' Loss

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RALEIGH, N.C. – Super Bowl XLII is now in the history books, and even though the Patriots lost, their fans in the Triangle made sure those in need won.

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The Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina asked football fans to support their "Souper Bowl Food and Fund Drive." The New England Patriots Fan Club of North Carolina was one group that answered that request.

"I brought soup and fruit and vegetables," said Patriots Fan Kathy Parker.

Club member Kathy Parker knew her contribution would make a difference. She said she volunteers in the area and sees the need.

"Definitely see a need in the community and it's just a great gift to be able to give back," she said.

Food bank officials said the Souper Bowl food drive is an effort to keep those at risk of hunger on the communities mind after the holiday season when donations drop.

"It's just a way we could get a whole bunch of people together to give back a mass quantity of food to a food bank," said fan club organizer, Brian Morrill.

And that's how they looked at the opportunity to be part of the food drive; they said it was a win-win situation.

"It's the best feeling in the world to be able to sit here like I said celebrate our successes and celebrate our success of being able to give back to the community of Raleigh and the surrounding areas," said Morrill.

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