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Curves Gym Selects Food Brings Hope to Benefit from Food Drive

~FBH receives funds to food bag program. ~

DAYTONA BEACH, June 3, 2016 – Curves Gym/South Daytona selected Food Brings Hope to be the beneficiary of \$1,289 in donations from a recent food drive in which their members participated.

For the last 15 years, Curves Gym in South Daytona / Port Orange has participated in the Curves International Food Drive where they select a local charity to benefit from either collected food items or donations so that the charity itself can purchase food from a local food bank.

The gym's members purchased a donation card with the amount of food they would "sponsor" on the card and then would hang it on the Curves donation wall.

"It was so exciting to see the wall filled with donations from the members and very satisfying to know that the food donations will help people in our community's backyard," said Deb Stokes, owner and manager of Curves South Daytona. "Our goal over the last few years has been to collect enough donations to purchase 10,000 pounds of food. The ladies at Curves in South Daytona / Port Orange are so generous and always rise to the occasion."

"Food Brings Hope is always thankful to have a business in our community who sees a need and jumps right to action!" said Food Brings Hope Executive Director, Judi Winch. "These funds will go a long way to help feed our children and the families who participate in our weekend food bag program."

About Food Brings Hope:

Food Brings Hope (FBH), a 501(c)(3) Public Charity, provides collaborative solutions for families with children who experience hunger due to homelessness, poverty, or unfamiliarity with community resources. FBH's mission is to nurture the mind, body and spirit of underprivileged children in our community. Among other services, **FBH** offers school based programs (termed "KidsZone" in elementary schools and "TeenZone" in the upper grades) that provide meals, tutoring and activities for at-risk students. FBH also facilitates enrichment activities such as Nutrition Days and Hands On Banking Programs along with field trips to local educational destinations and events. At FBH, 100% of all donations go directly to these programs that support students in need in Volusia County.

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