



**ALAMEDA COUNTY COMMUNITY FOOD BANK RECEIVES MORGAN STANLEY GRANT TO EXPAND PROGRAM DELIVERING NUTRITIOUS MEALS TO CHILDREN AND FAMILIES**  
*\$50,000 Grant to continue critical funding of school pantry programming*

Oakland, CA —December 15, 2016—Alameda County Community Food Bank today announced it is the recipient of a \$50,000 grant from the Morgan Stanley Foundation to fund its School Pantry program, a child hunger initiative that helps to make sure low-income families have a readily accessible source of healthy and nutritious food to prepare at home. The grant was announced in a presentation during the 6 p.m. newscast on CBS San Francisco (KPIX 5), on Wednesday, December 14.

The grant is part of the Morgan Stanley Foundation’s recently announced \$8 million, four-year pledge to support Feeding America, a nationwide network of 200 food banks, and its children’s hunger and produce programs. Since the firm’s partnership with Feeding America launched in 2009, the Foundation has given over \$21 million, including \$150,000 to Alameda County Community Food Bank.

Grants from Morgan Stanley and the Morgan Stanley Foundation have been critical to Alameda County Community Food Bank’s innovative childhood hunger programming – which last year distributed a milestone 1 million meals. The programming funded by Morgan Stanley grants includes the Food Bank’s inclusion in Morgan Stanley’s Healthy Cities program; expanded Mobile Pantry distributions; and The Food Bank’s first fixed pantry site on a school campus.

“We are thrilled to receive this important grant from the Morgan Stanley Foundation in support of our efforts to deliver more nutritious meals to children and families in Oakland,” said Juan Francisco Orozco, corporate and foundation relations officer for Alameda County Community Food Bank. “Morgan Stanley’s ongoing financial support and the support of its employees through many hours of volunteering speaks volumes of their commitment to building healthy, vibrant communities.”

“We are honored to be able to help The Alameda County Community Food Bank in its important fight against child hunger,” said Morgan Stanley Branch Manager David Lawrence. “Our employees volunteer regularly with the Alameda County Community Food Bank, so we are delighted to extend our support through this grant and provide even more children with the foods they need to learn, grow and thrive.”

“Grants like this from Morgan Stanley make a vital difference in our efforts to provide children with the nutritious meals they need every day,” said Nancy Curby, Interim Senior Vice President of Development at Feeding America. “More than 13 million children in the United States live at risk of hunger. Together, we can solve hunger and ensure that children have the fuel they need to grow healthy and strong.”

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### **About Alameda County Community Food Bank**

Alameda County Community Food Bank—Feeding America’s 2016 Food Bank of the Year--has been at the forefront of hunger relief efforts in the Bay Area since 1985. This year, the Food Bank will distribute the equivalent of 30 million meals. More than half of the food distributed is farm-fresh produce. The Food Bank serves 1 in 5 Alameda County residents by distributing food through a network of 240 food pantries, soup kitchens, and other community organizations, as well as direct-distribution programs including Children’s Backpack and Mobile Pantry. For ten consecutive years, Alameda County Community Food Bank has received Charity Navigator’s top rating — Four Stars — ranking the organization among the top 1 percent of charities nationwide. Learn more at [www.accfb.org](http://www.accfb.org)

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