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United Way of Central New Mexico Assists with Food Drive

Residents Can Leave Non-perishable Food by Mailbox

Albuquerque, NM – United Way of Central New Mexico (UWCNM) will partner with the Central New Mexico Labor Council to support the 24th annual Letter Carriers’ Stamp Out Hunger® Food Drive on May 14, 2016. UWCNM and the Labor Council provide volunteers to assist with the donations from the food drive.

The goal of the drive is to help restock community food banks, pantries and shelters for needy families throughout the summer. According to New Mexico Appleseed, “28% of New Mexico households with children experience food insecurity.”

(www.nmappleseed.org/what-we-do/hunger/)

Last year’s drive collected approximately 71 million pounds of non-perishable food that was left in bags next to postal customers’ mailboxes nationally, according to the National Association of Letter Carriers. It was the 12th consecutive year that letter carriers have collected more than 70 million pounds of food, and it brought the drive’s grand total to more than 1.4 billion pounds of food collected. Visit www.nalc.org/community-service/food-drive

To learn more about UWCNM’s partnership with the Central New Mexico Labor Council, visit www.uwcnm.org/how-we-help/basic-needs-financial-stability/afl-cio-community-service-program

United Way of Central New Mexico, founded in 1934, serves a four-county region. UWCNM’s mission is to bring people and resources together to measurably improve lives and strengthen our communities. To learn more, visit www.uwcnm.org or call 505-247-3671.

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