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### **MSU athletes to volunteer at The Food Bank for 12 straight hours Friday** *Sixty students to give time from 11 to 11 on the 11<sup>th</sup>*

**SPRINGFIELD, Mo.**—Sixty Missouri State students will spend this Friday differently than most of their peers.

Missouri State athletic teams will volunteer at Ozarks Food Harvest from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 11, 2011. The students will sort and repack food donations in four separate shifts, spanning a 12-hour period—the longest period The Food Bank has ever hosted volunteers.

“We couldn’t ask for better timing for this volunteer event. Due to recent weather conditions, we lost a lot of crucial volunteer time,” said Jennifer Sickinger, volunteer coordinator at Ozarks Food Harvest. “We’re really hoping these students giving 12 hours will help our warehouse get caught up on sorting and repacking donations of food and other supplies.”

The volunteer event will help provide nearly 19,000 meals for distribution to Ozarkers in need.

MSU athletic teams represented include volleyball, men and women’s soccer, field hockey and men and women’s swimming. MSU soccer coaches Jon Leamy and Kyle Yates coordinated the event.

Ozarks Food Harvest is the only food bank in southwest Missouri, serving more than 300 hunger relief organizations across 28 Ozarks counties. The Food Bank reaches more than 14,000 individuals weekly and distributes nine million pounds of food annually. Learn more at [ozarksfoodharvest.org](http://ozarksfoodharvest.org) and at [facebook.com/ozarksfoodharvest](https://facebook.com/ozarksfoodharvest).

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