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Local Foundations to launch *Feeding Hope in 2010* with major gift

SPRINGFIELD (Embargoed for Jan. 13, 2010 Release)—The [Jeannette L. Musgrave Foundation](#) and the [Roy W. Slusher Foundation](#) are making sizeable grants toward feeding the hungry in a multi-county initiative called *Feeding Hope in 2010*. At a press conference held at [Ozarks Food Harvest](#) this morning, recipient nonprofit organizations were announced and awarded *Feeding Hope* grants.

Grant recipients of the Musgrave Foundation total gift of \$112,000 included Convoy of Hope, Crosslines, Springfield Community Center, Springfield Victory Mission, The Kitchen, The Salvation Army—Springfield and Ozarks Food Harvest.

Those organizations who shared a grant in the amount of \$56,500 from the Slusher Foundation were Christian Action Ministries, Christian Associates of Table Rock Lake, Church Army Branson, Lives Under Construction Boys Ranch, Gift of Hope—My Neighbor's Pantry and Salvation Army— Branson.

Grantees, who will be distributing more food to the hungry this year thanks to the Foundations, were on hand to discuss the increasing demand for food as the recession persists into the New Year. Among those in attendance was Branson Mayor Raeanne Presley, who spoke on behalf of grant recipients in Taney County and Stone County.

According to spokesperson David Taylor, this distribution from the Musgrave and Slusher Foundations is in addition to the foundation's ongoing support of area nonprofit agencies. The Boards of both foundations hope this additional gift will encourage others in the community to help meet this pressing need, he said.

The *Feeding Hope in 2010* grants will help stock food pantries during a time when the need is great following the holiday season.

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