

Resolution No. 2020-212

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ACCEPTING THE CHALLENGE FROM CONTRA COSTA COUNTY TO CONTINUE THE FIGHT AGAINST FOOD INSECURITY IN SOLANO AND CONTRA COSTA COUNTIES BY PARTICIPATING IN THE ANNUAL COUNTIES CARE HOLIDAY FOOD FIGHT

WHEREAS, it all began in 2004 when Contra Costa County challenged Solano County to participate in a friendly "Food Fight" challenge to raise funds to support food collection and distribution efforts in Contra Costa and Solano Counties; and

WHEREAS, hunger exists in every corner of our communities and affects people of all ages, ethnicities, education levels and employment status, with one in eight people relying on the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano for food assistance; and

WHEREAS, the Food Bank is there for those in need of a helping hand, working heroically on the front line of the daily effort to address food insecurity, providing monthly to 125,000 residents in Contra Costa County and 63,000 residents in Solano County; and

WHEREAS, Contra Costa County and Solano County employees have accepted the challenge to continue to fight against food insecurity by participating in the annual "Food Fight" challenge and annual holiday fund drive for the past sixteen years to support residents in the counties of Solano and Contra Costa in need of Food Bank services; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, the combined sixteen-year effort of both Contra Costa County and Solano County employees exceeded a cumulative donation total of over \$1.58 million, and with the friends of the food fight included, over \$2.01 million has been donated to the Food Bank; and

WHEREAS, this year, due to the ongoing pandemic health emergency, Solano County Food Fight department organizers will implement safety protocols, including wearing a face covering, cleaning commonly touched surfaces and designating specific spaces to allow for social distancing best practices – working to help slow the transmission of COVID-19 disease – all while protecting the health and safety of everyone participating in the challenge; and

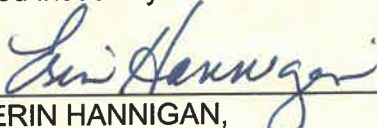
WHEREAS, the 2020 Counties Care Holiday Food Fight will take place between November 16 and December 31, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Solano County Board of Supervisors hereby accepts Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors' challenge to participate in the 2020 Counties Care Holiday Food Fight and commends Contra Costa County, its Board of Supervisors and their employees for its past "Food Fight" successes, including when it took back the coveted "Big Apple" trophy in 2019; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Solano County Board of Supervisors hereby officially continues the annual competition with Contra Costa County and kicks off the 2020 Counties Care Holiday Food Fight friendly challenge to continue the fight against food insecurity.

Dated this 17th day of November, 2020




ERIN HANNIGAN,
Chairwoman Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk
Solano County Board of Supervisors

By: 
Alicia Draves, Chief Deputy Clerk