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Feeding America Southwest Virginia Hosts Seventh Annual Elected Officials Volunteer Day in Abingdon

WHAT: Feeding America Southwest Virginia has invited elected officials, their staff, families and friends to participate in the seventh annual Elected Officials Volunteer Day. The local goal of Elected Officials Volunteer Day is to mobilize the public along with national, state and local government officials to act on behalf of Feeding America Southwest Virginia and its over 330 partner feeding programs.

Elected officials will be packing specialized boxes of food in Feeding America Southwest Virginia's quality assurance area.

Brief remarks from Feeding America Southwest Virginia President and CEO Pamela Irvine, Virginia Delegate Israel O'Quinn and others will lead off the activities at 10 a.m.

WHO: Elected officials expected to attend include: Congressman Morgan Griffith, Virginia Senator Bill Carrico, Virginia Delegate Terry Kilgore, Virginia Delegate Israel O'Quinn, Virginia Delegate Todd Pillion, Jonesville Mayor James Ewing, Lee County Supervisor Charles Slemper, Jr., Washington County Supervisor Eddie Copenhaver, Washington County Supervisor Vernon Smith and Abingdon Councilman Wayne Craig.

Also in attendance will be Shane Clem (representing Senator Mark Warner) and Laura Blevins (representing Senator Tim Kaine).

Photo and interview opportunities will be available at the conclusion of the remarks.

WHEN: Friday, October 13, 10:00 a.m.

WHERE: Feeding America Southwest Virginia, 21452 Gravel Lake Rd, Abingdon

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About Feeding America Southwest Virginia

Feeding America Southwest Virginia was founded locally in 1981 and proudly commemorates 36 years of fighting hunger and changing lives through community partnerships. For the last three and a half decades, the Food Bank's ultimate mission has remained the same: eliminate hunger in the region. The primary function of the Food Bank is to secure and distribute large quantities of food for Southwest Virginia's hungry. Approximately \$26.5 million worth of food and grocery related products are channeled annually through a network of more than 330 partner feeding programs in our 26-county,



9-city region that provide food or meals to those in need. The local Food Bank is an affiliate member of Feeding America. Visit www.faswva.org for more information or like us on Facebook.