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WEGMANS ALEXANDRIA TO DELIVER OVER 15,000 POUNDS OF FOOD TO THE CAPITAL AREA FOOD BANK

Springtime delivery will help feed children, seniors and families in Northern Virginia

LORTON, VA, May 22 – Wegmans Food Markets will deliver a truckload of 15,877 pounds of nonperishable food to the Capital Area Food Bank, the region’s largest hunger relief organization, on Thursday, May 28 at 12 PM. The delivery will take place at the CAFB’s Northern Virginia location (6833 Hill Park Drive, Lorton, VA 22079) and is the first donation from Wegmans’ new Alexandria store, which opens June 14. The truck will carry 20 pallets of canned soups, vegetables and fruit, peanut butter, canned tuna, cereal and juice – all of which will help feed thousands of residents struggling to get enough food to eat.

“We are so excited to welcome Wegmans to our community. Each year we’re already sending over 6 million pounds of food into Northern Virginia. Partnering with Wegmans means that we can get more wholesome food to this area. We’re proud to work with such a strong community-minded company,” said Cecelia Vergaretti, Capital Area Food Bank’s Northern Virginia Director.

Wegmans Alexandria Store Manager Mike Dempsey and a team of employees will be on site to help unload the tractor trailer, sort the food and stock the shelves at the food bank’s Lorton, VA distribution center.

“We know that food banks build healthier communities and it’s a privilege to be able to deliver this food that will serve the needs of our new neighbors in Alexandria,” said Dempsey. “One of our values is to make a difference in every community we serve, and this partnership is one way we’re putting that value into action.”

Helping feed the hungry is a community giving priority for the Rochester, New York based supermarket chain. Last year, Wegmans donated approximately 15 million pounds of food to area food banks in all of its market areas.

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About the Capital Area Food Bank

The Capital Area Food Bank is the largest hunger relief organization in the Washington metro area serving over 530,000 people through direct food distribution programs and a network of 500 partner agencies. Last year, the Capital Area Food Bank distributed 42 million pounds of food – the equivalent of 35 million meals – one-third of which was fresh fruits and vegetables. The CAFB’s Lorton location last year distributed over 6 million pounds food – the equivalent of 5 million meals – of which 2 million pounds was fresh fruits and vegetables. To learn more, visit: www.capitalareafoodbank.org, or find the Capital Area Food Bank on Facebook at [facebook.com/ CapitalAreaFoodBank](https://www.facebook.com/CapitalAreaFoodBank), and Twitter at [@foodbankmetrodc](https://twitter.com/foodbankmetrodc).

About Wegmans

Wegmans Food Markets, Inc. is an 85-store supermarket chain with stores in New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Virginia, Maryland, and Massachusetts. The family-owned company, founded in 1916, is recognized as an industry leader and innovator. Wegmans has been named one of the '100 Best Companies to Work For' by FORTUNE magazine for 18 consecutive years, ranking #7 in 2015. The company also ranked #1 for Corporate Reputation, among the 100 'most-visible companies' nationwide in the 2014 Harris Poll Reputation Quotient® study.