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Land O' Lakes Foundation awards \$15,000 to the Orland Food Bank

The Glenn County Food Banks have seen an increase in families with children and individuals accessing the food banks due to the economic downturn. The food banks funding streams are not sufficient to maintain the shelves stocked and meet the demand of the current need in Glenn County. In 2007, a total of 2,600 families were served by the food banks and in 2009 to this date over 4,100 families have been served (a 65% increase since 2007).

The Land O' Lakes Foundation awarded \$15,000 to the Orland food bank, in order to ensure that sufficient nutritional foods are available for the Orland and Hamilton City residents. Due to the generous donation a total of 75 Turkeys were distributed on 11/25/09 at the Orland Family Resource Center from 8:30am to 12pm (serving a total of 324 individuals in 75 households).

The Land O' Lakes Foundation will be awarding this donation to the Glenn County HRA on December 3rd at 12pm at the City Gates Restaurant in Orland, CA. The donation was coordinated by Robert Bignami and the local Dairy Association in Orland, CA. The Glenn County HRA is very thankful for the donation, which will make it possible to serve over 4,000 families in the next 12 months.

“The timing of the Land O Lakes gift is perfect because our food bank inventories are low due to the increased demand. This generous donation is an example of the compassion of Glenn County residents in helping others during their time of need.”—Scott Gruendl, HRA Executive Director

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