Food Drive Day is Saturday, May 10

he nation's largest single-day food drive is almost here. The Letter Carriers' Stamp Out Hunger® Food Drive will be held on Saturday, May 10.

Letter carriers have teamed with other postal employees and volunteers to collect food since the first national food drive in 1993. Donations are collected from postal patrons who leave a bag of nonperishable food next to their mailbox on the second Saturday in May.

One in 5 Americans, including millions of children, senior citizens and veterans, are unsure where their next meal will come from. The Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive helps to replenish food pantry shelves for the spring and summer, when holiday food donations are usually depleted and schools are closing for the summer, meaning that they are not offering meals to students.

"Letter carriers know the struggles that people in their communities face—they see it every day," NALC President Brian L. Renfroe said. "For more than three decades, we've helped to meet their needs each May, and it's time to pull off this annual miracle again."

The annual food drive wouldn't be possible without the support of our national partners: the U.S. Postal Service, the United Food and Commercial Workers International Union, the National Rural Letter Carriers' Association, RR Donnelley, United Way Worldwide, the AFL-CIO, Valpak, Kellanova and CVS Health. These partners help by paying for the specially marked postcards, donating thousands of pounds of food and thousands of dollars to food pantries, donating bags that letter carriers

distribute to customers, gathering volunteers, or getting out the message about the food drive.

NALC's social media team along with the Communications and Media Relations Department at Headquarters, as well as our national partners, will continue spreading the word and raising awareness for the Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive. Remember to follow the food drive's official social media accounts on Facebook at facebook. com/StampOutHunger and on X (formerly known as Twitter) at @StampOutHunger to stay up to date and learn more about NALC's national part-

nore about NALC's national partners. To find or send messages about the food drive on either platform, use #StampOutHunger.

Food Drive Day doesn't end until we weigh the donations to measure our success. Branches need to report the number of pounds of food they collect via the Members Only portal by June 6.

Letter carriers who have questions about the food drive should contact their local branch coordinator. Regional and state food drive coordinators are available to assist; a contact list can be found on the Food Drive Tool Kit page at nalc.org/toolkit, under the heading "Important information for coordinators." More information about the Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive can be found online at nalc.org/food. PR

