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Foodbank Announces the Sponsorship of the At-Risk Afterschool Meals Program

NORFOLK, VA | October 16, 2023 – The Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore announces the sponsorship of the At-Risk Afterschool Meals Program. The same meals will be available at no separate charge to all participants at each site.

Meals will be provided at the following facilities:

- Portsmouth Boys & Girls Club: 5905 Portsmouth Blvd., Portsmouth, 23701
- Young Terrace Boys & Girls Club: 804 Whitaker Ln., Norfolk, 23510
- Eastern Shore Boys & Girls Club: 24577 Mary N. Smith Rd., Accomack, 23301
- Grandy Village Boys & Girls Club: 3016 Kimball Terrace, Norfolk 23504
- Southside Boys & Girls Club, Berkley Unit: 701 Berkley Ave. Ext., Norfolk 23523
- The Kroc Center: 1401 Ballentine Blvd., Norfolk, 23504

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- 2. **fax:** (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
- 3. email: program.intake@usda.gov

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For further information please contact Debbie Kleeger, Nutrition Manager, at <u>dkleeger@foodbankonline.org</u> or (757) 627-6599.

For additional information, you may also contact the Virginia Department of Education, Office of School Nutrition Programs by calling (804) 225-2082.

About the Foodbank

For more than 40 years, the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore has provided more than 380 million meals to those in our community who face hunger. Through our programs, facilities, and large network of community partners, we work to eliminate hunger daily. Our understanding of the need for a long-term solution has led to the creation of a refreshed strategic plan aimed at moving Hampton Roads closer to achieving the mission of eliminating hunger for those we serve—not only for the day, or for the week, but for a lifetime. For up-to-date information, visit foodbankonline.org or follow us on social media.