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**Fidelity Investments to Match Online Donations to the Rhode Island
Community Food Bank from February 16th thru February 27th**

Every Online Donation, up to \$15,000, will be Matched to Help More Local Families

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PROVIDENCE, R.I. The Rhode Island Community Food Bank is pleased to announce that all donations made through the organization's secure website between February 16th and February 27th will be matched, up to \$15,000, thanks to a generous donation from Fidelity Investments.

As the need for food assistance continues to rise, the Food Bank is challenged to raise the funds needed to help meet the growing demand. According to Andrew Schiff, the Food Bank's Executive Director, 20% more people were served through member food pantries during the last six months compared to the same period last year.

Recognizing the Food Bank's need for support, Fidelity Investments has stepped-up to provide a \$15,000 donation that will be used as a matching incentive to double every online gift during the two-week campaign.

During these difficult times, everyone is looking for the best way to stretch their money and double their impact. We are pleased to donate \$15,000 to the Rhode Island Community Food Bank and we hope this will encourage more donations from the community and help Rhode Islanders who are struggling to feed their families, said John Muggeridge, General Manager of Fidelity Investments in Rhode Island.

To participate in the campaign and make a donation that will be matched, visit www.rifoodbank.org and look for the Fidelity Matching Gift opportunity link.

Currently, the Rhode Island Community Food Bank feeds more than 40,000 Rhode Islanders each month through a network of 285 certified member agency programs. According to the USDA, nearly 11% of all Rhode Island households, representing 115,000 people, are at risk for hunger.

The Rhode Island Community Food Bank is a non-profit organization located in Providence, RI. The Food Bank solicits, stores and distributes food products donated by supermarkets, wholesalers, food processors, local farmers and community food drives. The food is then distributed to the Food Bank's network of 285 member agencies. In the past fiscal year, the Food Bank distributed 8.3 million pounds of food. For more information about the Food Bank, please visit www.rifoodbank.org

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