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GCC HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE SEEKS COLLEGE & COMMUNITY DONATIONS

Deptford Twp. - The Volunteer Center of Gloucester County and Gloucester County College's Student Government Association and Phi Theta Kappa are kicking off their Annual Holiday Food Drive on the College's campus to benefit the Food Bank of South Jersey. Community residents are encouraged to participate in the community-wide initiative.

Canned and boxed holiday trimmings such as stuffing, pie crust and filling, gravy, vegetables, instant mashed potatoes and cranberry sauce will help families in need enjoy their holidays a little more. Frozen turkeys, as well as everyday items including cheese foods, soups and sauces, condiments, whole grains, paper products, cleaning supplies, diapers and infant formula in plastic containers are also needed. Members of the community are encouraged to participate by dropping off food items at the campus or by organizing donation sites at their places of work.

"We are embracing the Food Bank's tagline—'Hunger doesn't take a holiday.' We want everyone in Gloucester County to have a wonderful meal this holiday season," said Volunteer Center Coordinator Kim Capri.

The Food Bank of South Jersey is a non-profit hunger-relief organization that serves Burlington, Camden, Gloucester, and Salem counties. Each week they help more than 18,000 citizens find their next meal and annually link 4 million pounds of food with 340 charitable food providers, such as food pantries, soup kitchens and emergency shelters.

Donated items can be taken to several drop-off sites located throughout the campus or at the Volunteer Center located in the Instructional Center in room 425,

Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. until December 18. Please call (856) 415-9084 in advance to ensure that someone is there to receive your donation.

To help guarantee that all community members have enough to eat today, tomorrow and during the holiday season, food drive organizers are asking members of the community to promote a food drive at work, in your neighborhood, with a social or civic organization or with family and friends. To find out more information, contact the Volunteer Center at 856-415-9084 or visit www.gloustercountyvolunteers.org.

The GCC campus is located on Tanyard Road in Deptford Township, just off Exit 56 of Route 55.