

The Chicken of Choice."

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Chicken Donation to Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank to Fill the Shelves for the Holiday *Case Farms donates more than 23,000 Pounds of Chicken to the Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank*

CANTON, Ohio – November 6, 2018 – <u>Case Farms</u>, a local chicken producer, gives back to the community by donating more than 23,000 pounds of chicken to the <u>Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank</u>. The donation consists of 267 cases of whole chickens (16,340 lbs.), 45 cases of tenders (1,800 lbs.), 250 cases of thigh meat (5,000 lbs.).

"We're extremely grateful for the generosity of Case Farms and Mast Trucking," said Dan Flowers, Foodbank president and CEO. "Community partners like them enable the Foodbank to lift up and provide hope to the families in our community facing hunger. Together, we can help families share a heart-warming meal this holiday season."

"For those who are struggling with food insecurity, the holiday season can be a challenging time," said Sammy Caudle, Ohio complex manager at Case Farms. "We hope that our donation will provide hundreds of highly nutritious meals for the families and individuals in our community during the holidays. We're grateful to partner with Mast Trucking to support the Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank in moving the needle towards a community free of hunger."

Mast Trucking, a top carrier with locations also in Canton and Millersburg, donated their transportation services to deliver the donation from Columbus to Akron. "We're proud to work with our customers to help the local community in such a big way," said owner, Kevin Mast.

The Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank envisions of a thriving community free of hunger. This year, 1 in 7 people in Northeast Ohio will face hunger, and the Foodbank will be there to help. The Foodbank is the source of emergency food for nearly 500 food pantries, hot meal sites, shelters and other hunger-relief programs that directly serve individuals and families in Carroll, Holmes, Medina, Portage, Stark, Summit, Tuscarawas and Wayne counties.

The Foodbank, with its supporters and partners are leading the fight to end hunger in the communities they serve. In 2017, it distributed 32.9 million pounds of food and other essential items to its network of hunger-relief partners.

About Case Farms:

Founded in 1986, Case Farms is a fully integrated poultry farming and processing group of dedicated individuals that work together to produce consistent, quality poultry products. Its driving purpose is to deliver superior products and service to every customer, every time. Case Farms processes 3.3 million birds per week, has over 3,200 dedicated team members, and produces in excess of 1.0 billion pounds of fresh, partially cooked, and frozen-for-export poultry products per year. The company has operations or offices in Ohio and North Carolina. For more information on Case Farms, visit <u>www.casefarms.com.</u>

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