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Feeding South Dakota Hosting Inaugural "Bring Your Child to Serve Day" in Honor of Marin Luther King Jr.

Sioux Falls, South Dakota (1/11/2022) - Each year, volunteers across the country come together on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day to serve their neighbors and communities in honor of Dr. King's legacy. As part of this national movement, Feeding South Dakota is hosting their first annual "Bring Your Child to Serve Day".

The event, hosted at the organization's Sioux Falls, Pierre and Rapid City Distribution Centers, is an opportunity for children ages 11 and up and their caregivers to sort and pack food that will be distributed in communities across the state.

"With most schools on break in observance of the Martin Luther King Jr Holiday, we felt it was an excellent opportunity for families to volunteer together," shared Lori Dykstra, CEO of Feeding South Dakota.

When involving children in service projects caregivers demonstrate the importance of supporting the larger community bringing to life Dr King's vision of neighbors working together to build a better future.

There are still volunteer shifts available at either 9am or 1pm at the Pierre, SD and Rapid City, SD Distribution Centers. To volunteer on "Bring Your Child to Serve Day" with Feeding South Dakota visit <u>feedingsouthdakota.org/volunteer</u> or contact Kim Skrovig, Volunteer Coordinator at 605-335-0364 ext. 124

About Feeding South Dakota

Feeding South Dakota, whose mission is to end hunger in South Dakota, is the state's largest charitable hunger relief organization. In FY21, Feeding South Dakota secured and distributed nearly 17.7 million pounds of quality nutritious donated and purchased food providing nearly 14.8 million meals to nearly 100,000 individuals who are food insecure in South Dakota. Feeding South Dakota distributes this food from distribution centers in Sioux Falls, Pierre, and Rapid City and through its network of agency partners across the state. For more information on Feeding South Dakota, visit <u>feedingsouthdakota.org</u> and find us on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u>.

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