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# Dakota Layers Donates 6,480 Eggs

# to Feeding South Dakota

*Sioux Falls, South Dakota (4/20/2022)* – Dakota Layers donated 6,480 eggs to Feeding South Dakota as the result of a partnership with South Dakota State University Men's and Women's Basketball teams. The company committed to donate one dozen eggs for every free throw made in Frost Arena this past basketball season.

This year, 462 free throws were made, including the WNIT games. To show their continued support in the fight against hunger, Dakota Layers increased their total donation to 540 dozen or 6,480 eggs.

"Eggs are a good source of protein and a valuable nutritional product," said Jason Ramsdell General Manager of Dakota Layers. "We are proud of our continued partnership with SDSU which incorporates fun and team spirit as a way to ultimately give back to our communities across South Dakota." Dakota Layers is a family-owned egg farm located just outside of Flandreau, SD. In addition to the SDSU Athletics partnership donation, they are an on-going supporter of Feeding South Dakota and have donated over 5 million eggs to the organization since 2008.

"These eggs are donated to our community members through our Mobile Distributions that take place across the state," shared Lori Dykstra, CEO of Feeding South Dakota. "The generosity of Dakota Layers ensures that what we can provide healthy foods to people who may not always have access to them. We are grateful for donations like this that help us in the fight to end hunger in our state."

This donation was made to Feeding South Dakota's Sioux Falls Distribution Center on Tuesday, April 19.

## About Dakota Layers

Dakota Layers is a family-owned and operated egg farm located just outside of Flandreau, South Dakota that started business in 1999 and housed their first hens in 2001. Approximately 100,000 dozen eggs are produced every day from the 1.35 million hens housed at the farm. Dakota Layers provides over 70 jobs in their community. In addition to jobs, they contribute eggs to food pantries and several charitable events.

For more information about Dakota Layers and where to purchase their eggs, please visit <u>www.dakotalayers.com</u> or follow them on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u>.

## **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 8.8 million meals to 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 feedingsouthdakota.org and find us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

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