

Yumi Hogan joins food bank in celebration of massive food donation

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ANNAPOLIS, Md. - On Oct. 5, First Lady Yumi Hogan joined the Maryland Food Bank to receive more than 40,000 pounds of food from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints as part of the regional Day to Serve initiative. Day to Serve is an annual, month-long initiative held from September 11 to October 10 in Maryland, Washington, D.C., Virginia, and West Virginia, encouraging citizens to choose a day to volunteer in their communities.

"Growing up on a chicken farm in post-war South Korea, I saw first-hand the importance of reaching out and helping those in need. When we help others, we are helping to build stronger bonds and stronger communities," said the first lady. "I'd like to thank the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints for their generous donation today, as well as the Maryland Food Bank for their continued work of feeding hundreds of Maryland families and providing for the well-being of our most important resource, our citizens."

In addition to today's food delivery, staff from the Governor's Coordinating Offices joined the Maryland Food Bank to help pack food boxes for seniors. Earlier this year, Governor Larry Hogan encouraged state employees to further serve Maryland communities through participation in volunteer activities, granting state employees four hours of administrative leave to participate in a Day to Serve project.

For more than 35 years, the Maryland Food Bank has partnered with communities across the state to distribute food to individuals and families in need. Currently, it distributes more than 112,000 meals per day – nearly 41 million meals annually – and operates from three facilities in Baltimore, Salisbury, and Hagerstown.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has donated food to the Maryland Food Bank as part of the Day to Serve initiatives for the past four years. The donation received today has an approximate value of \$50,000 and will contribute to making over 33,000 meals to feed more than 830 families across Maryland.

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