Volunteering for their community – Bubba’s 33

Bubba’s 33 is a family-friendly sports restaurant that is not only known for their “legendary food and drink,” but also for their dedication to the Colorado Springs community. Bubba’s 33 opened their doors in August 2015 and kick-started their generosity by donating a portion of their soft-opening proceeds, totaling $2,094 – the equivalent of 16,752 meals, to Care and Share!

Bubba’s 33 also encourages their employees to volunteer. Karmyn Riehl, Store Marketer, said “We found that our employees want to help, but don’t know where to start.” Bubba’s 33 has successfully given their employees a way to get involved. Bubba’s 33 devotion to uniting our community is apparent. On the first Thursday of every month you can find a group of Bubba’s 33 fun-loving, compassionate employees sorting food at the Care and Share warehouse, helping bridge the gap between hunger and abundance.

We thank Bubba’s 33 for supporting Care and Share’s mission, and sharing in our belief that no one should go hungry.

Recipe for Hope

On March 10, 2016, Care and Share held our 8th annual Recipe for Hope event. We shared stories of inspiration and hope with nearly 1,000 community members! We were honored to host Domanic, a seventh grader from North Middle School, as a guest speaker. Domanic volunteers in his school pantry, which was made possible with a grant from Feeding America and the Kellogg Company.

He started helping in the pantry because he saw one of his teachers trying to lift the heavy bags of potatoes and carrots and onions, and he didn’t want her to hurt her back. He knows that the school pantry is important for the kids at his school, especially for those who don’t have very much. Domanic’s family needs food from the pantry to help stretch their grocery budget. He lives with his grandma, grandpa, two brothers, two sisters, an aunt, and two dogs. He’s lived with his grandma and grandpa for the past four or five years and he helps his grandma cook meals almost every day.

The pantry at Domanic’s school has taught him lots of things, especially about how people care for one another. He wants other kids that are struggling to stay strong and believe in their dreams. And to the supporters of Care and Share that make programs like this possible, he says, “Thank you. It means more than you will ever know for kids like me.”

We are pleased to share that the 2016 Recipe for Hope raised the equivalent of 1.95 million meals for our neighbors in need. Together, we are solving hunger!
Expanding Opportunities for Fresh Produce

Working together to fulfill a need across America

Feeding America, the nation’s largest domestic hunger-relief organization, held its inaugural Fresh Produce Summit. The meeting brought together produce industry leaders and representatives from 80 food banks to discuss ways to work together to access and distribute significantly more fresh produce to the 46 million people served by Feeding America’s network of 200 food banks.

Jason Feld, Food Resource Manager at Care and Share Food Bank, is a member of the Produce Enterprise Strategy Committee. Sharing best practices, success stories, challenges and learnings with one another, much of the discussion at the Fresh Produce Summit focused on creating new models for Feeding America food banks to work collaboratively with one another to procure, process, and distribute millions of pounds of produce.

Feeding America has set a bold ten-year goal to provide access to enough nutritious food for everyone struggling with hunger. This goal calls for a total of 1.7 billion pounds of food to come from produce growers.

Fresh produce is key. Last year, Care and Share secured more than 4.5 million pounds of produce from local growers. We highly value these important relationships that enable us to put food on the table of our neighbors in need.

Care and Share Food Bank has a plan for Southern Colorado similar to Feeding America’s 2025 goal. We call this plan Within Reach. To learn more, visit http://careandshare.org/about/within-reach/. We don’t just want to provide access to food for some people who need it. We want to help everyone who is facing hunger in Southern Colorado.
You have helped people struggling with hunger in Southern Colorado more than ever — thank you!
From July through February 2016 we received:

**GIVE FOOD.**

363,997 pounds of donated food from individuals and food drives.

**GIVE TIME.**

26,409 hours of service from volunteers who are the heart of our organization.

**GIVE MONEY.**

$3,105,283 from corporations, foundations, organizations, and individuals.

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**Thanks to our Funders!**

The support of our grant makers is integral to the work that we do every day. We would like to thank the following grant makers, who recognize the mutually beneficial partnership of strengthening programs, services, and partner relationships. **THANK YOU for your support!**

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**Business Champions**

Does your company want to take action in the fight against hunger? There’s no better way than to become a Business Champion. Recognition is given to businesses who give unrestricted gifts of at least $500. To become a Business Champion, visit [www.careandshare.org](http://www.careandshare.org) and click on Ways To Give.

Many thanks to these fantastic Business Champions who are ensuring families, children, the elderly, and many others have enough food to eat because no one should go hungry!

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