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Food Bank of Solano and Contra Costa County receives \$6,000 donation

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Sutter Solano Medical Center, part of Sutter Health, announced recently a \$6,000 donation to the Food Bank of Solano and Contra Costa County.

The contributions mark the fourth year of donations by the not-for-profit network to local food banks and comprise a portion of this year's \$255,000 total donation benefiting 29 food banks throughout Northern California.

Food banks say that monetary donations help maximize the amount of food available for the hungry -- in many instances a \$1 donation can translate to approximately \$5 worth of distributed food.

"I'm very pleased to give what we can to our local food bank, especially when so many families are in need," said Terry Glubka, CEO of Sutter Solano Medical Center in Vallejo. "I've asked the food bank to use our \$6,000 donation to purchase food for people in our Solano County community."

Sutter Health and its employees are very active in helping those in need in Solano County, officials said. Sutter employees supported two important programs organized by the Solano County Office of Education -- school supply and winter apparel drives to collect items for homeless children. Sutter was also a major sponsor of the Budweiser's Families Helping Families Car Show to raise funds to purchase food for needy families. In fact, on Nov. 16, Sutter employees joined the team at Budweiser to package and deliver the food purchased with the proceeds from that event. All this is in addition to the more than \$22 million Sutter Health contributes each year in community benefit and charity care.

"I'm proud to work with such a great team of dedicated employees," says Glubka. "People who care for people -- both inside our hospital and out in the community."