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Fairfield winery to host Food Bank fundraiser

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While Napa is just a short drive away, you don't have to go far to enjoy a weekend in wine country — and for a good cause.

In a press release Food Bank of Contra Costa & Solano announced that it will be partnering with GV Cellars, one of a number local wineries that call the Suisun Valley home.

On Aug. 3, GV Cellers will add giving back to the community to its dedication to making good wine as it teams up with Food Bank for the fundraising event "Food Bank Uncorked."

The afternoon will offer wine tasting, an array of hors d'oeuvres prepared by MagPies catering to sample, and tunes from Westbound 80 -- all while helping to feed the hungry.

Food Bank of Contra Costa & Solano serves an estimated 149,000 people each month. The food bank distributed approximately 18 million pounds of food in 2013 — enough for 14 million means. Half of the food was fresh produce, the release noted.

Food is distributed through direct service programs operated by Food Bank as well as food pantries and soup kitchens operated by some 180 partner agencies, according to Food Bank, which added that \$0.96 of every dollar donated goes directly to food programs.

Proceeds from the Aug. 3 event, which is being sponsored by Tesoro Golden Eagle Refinery, will go to the purchase of food to help feed the hungry, according to the release.

The cost is \$40 per persons. Reservations are required and can be made atwww.foodbankccs.org/uncorked.