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**Golden 1 Credit Union Donation Provides More Than Half a Million Meals for California Food Banks**

*Donation helps food banks feed families and individuals in need*

SACRAMENTO, Calif., September 28, 2016 – Golden 1 Credit Union (Golden 1) announced today it has launched its fifth annual Food Bank Donation Program providing food to families and individuals in need across northern and central California. During September, in support of Hunger Action Month, Golden 1 donated \$52,500 to food banks who help Californians in need of food.

Hunger Action Month is a nationwide campaign to bring awareness and support to food banks at a time of year when food donations often decline. The donation supports 19 food banks in counties across California including Contra Costa, Sacramento, San Joaquin, San Francisco, Monterey and Napa as they prepare for the holiday season and the increase in need. The funds will provide more than 500,000 meals to local food banks including Contra Costa County Food Bank, Amador Community Agency, Food Bank of El Dorado County and Napa Valley Food Bank.

“Food insecurity is a year-round issue for many individuals, children, and families in our community,” said Larry Sly, Executive Director, Contra Costa County Food Bank. “We are very grateful to Golden 1 for its donation to help provide food to those in need and we hope it helps raise awareness and inspire action in the fight against hunger.”

“Golden 1 is proud to support food banks that provide the much-needed food assistance to the hungry in our communities,” said Erica Taylor, Vice President of Communications and Community Relations. “Golden 1 is honored to continue our annual tradition of giving to California food banks.”

Since the Food Banks Donation Program began in 2011, Golden 1 has donated more than \$250,000 to California food banks that provide food to families and individuals in need.

#### **ABOUT GOLDEN 1 CREDIT UNION**

With more than \$10 billion in assets, Golden 1 Credit Union is the leading credit union in California, and the sixth largest credit union in the United States. Golden 1 Credit Union delivers financial solutions with value, convenience, and exceptional service. As a dynamic and trusted leader, Golden 1 is committed to enhancing the financial well-being of its members and diverse communities. Golden 1 has more than 775,000 members and 1,600 employees. Visit [www.golden1.com](http://www.golden1.com) for more information.