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Hunger Action Month

Dripping Springs City Council proclaims September as Hunger Action Month

DRIPPING SPRINGS, TEXAS – September 16, 2016 – Dripping Springs City Council calls upon its citizens to take action against hunger as September is officially “Hunger Action Month.”

To help raise awareness, Council passed a proclamation at their September 13th meeting and thanked the Hays County Food Bank for their efforts in fighting hunger.

According to statistics from the Hays County Food Bank, one out of seven Hays County residents are food insecure.

In Dripping Springs, 12.4% of residents live below the poverty line and the percentage of students who qualify for free or reduced lunch is even higher, at 14%.

Across the country, more than 48 million people are suffering from food insecurity. Locally, the Hays County Food Bank, distributed 690,397 pounds of food last year, via its six public food distributions and multiple partner agencies as well as provided a traditional holiday meal for 10,922 individuals, 452 of which reside in Dripping Springs.

City Council encourages citizens to contribute generously to the Hays County Food Bank. A \$20 donation can provide 100 meals through the buying power of the Food Bank, and \$30 provides a family the fixings for a full holiday meal.

Donations can be made online at www.haysfoodbank.org and/or in person at the Hays County Food Bank located at 220 Herndon Street in San Marcos.

