Donations to help Seacoast families in need

HAMPTON, N.H. — Nov. 27, 2013 —

Wheelabrator Technologies, a worldwide leader in converting everyday household and commercial waste into clean energy, is pitching in to help those in need this holiday season. Wheelabrator employees gifted 23 turkeys along with corporation donations totaling $1,000 in Hannaford gift cards to four local food pantries: United Methodist Church Food Pantry, Hobbs House Help Center, First Baptist Church Food Pantry and St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry.

"We are thankful for the donation and contributions from Wheelabrator employees to our annual Thanksgiving dinner," said Bob Zirkle of the United Methodist Church Food Pantry. "Our mission is to not forget people during the holiday season and to provide them with a warm meal and a place to go. We serve the needy and the hungry, but we also accept people who would otherwise be alone during the holidays and need someplace to go to distract them."

Each Thanksgiving, Wheelabrator gives turkeys to its employees to share with their families. Often, these employees in turn donate their turkey to those in need through a coordinated giving campaign by the company.

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On behalf of the Hobbs House Help Center, I thank Wheelabrator and all of my fellow employees for the wonderful donations of turkeys and the Hannaford gift card," said Sandy Nickerson of Wheelabrator Technologies, who volunteers to coordinate the Saturday Food Pantry. "I am thrilled to be working for such a great company filled with so many generous people. Many of the food pantry's clients are elderly, live on social security, have had their food stamps cut and have lost their jobs."

As the only food pantry open on Saturdays in the Seacoast area, the Saturday food pantry will donate these turkeys directly to families who otherwise would not have been able to afford a turkey on their own.

Wheelabrator donated 15 turkeys and a $250 Hannaford gift card to the United Methodist Church Food Pantry, located at 525 Lafayette Road in Hampton. The donations will be used for the pantry's annual Free Thanksgiving Day Dinner.

For more information, please call the food pantry at 926-2702 or send an email to Bob Zirkle at hamptonumc@myfairpoint.net.

Wheelabrator donated eight turkeys and a $250 Hannaford gift card to the Hobbs House Help Center, located at 200 High Street in Hampton. For more information on Hobbs House, contact Sandy Nickerson at 929-3444.

To help them prepare 25 food boxes for Thanksgiving, Wheelabrator delivered a $250 Hannaford gift card to the First Baptist Church Food Pantry, located at 36 Winnacunnet Road in Hampton. For more information, please call the pantry at 926-3200.

Wheelabrator donated a $250 Hannaford gift card to the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry, located at 289 Lafayette Road in Hampton. For more information, call the pantry at 929-4427.

We are pleased to be able to help area food pantries at such a critical time of the year," said Michelle Nadeau, senior manager of public affairs at Wheelabrator. "Thanks to the generosity of our employees, Wheelabrator has been able to donate turkeys as well as provide funding for groceries to stock the local food pantries for the holiday season for those less fortunate."

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