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Walmart Donates \$85,000 Refrigerator Food Truck to Middle Georgia Community Food Bank

***Donated truck part of \$32 Million Holiday Giving Campaign and Historic
Hunger Relief Effort by Walmart and the Walmart Foundation***

Macon, GA, [Nov. 5, 2009] – As Walmart and the Walmart Foundation continue “Walmart Gives Back,” a holiday giving initiative that will provide \$32 million in monetary and in-kind donations to charitable organizations across the U.S., a refrigerator truck donated by the Walmart Foundation will arrive at the Middle Georgia Community Food Bank today to help feed Macon, Ga. families in need. The truck is one of 35 that departed from Madison, Wis., earlier this month headed to Feeding America food banks in local communities across the country.

Valued at \$85,000, the new truck and 12 pallets of Great Value-branded products and fresh apples will arrive in Macon, Ga. in time for Thanksgiving. Feeding America estimates the new trucks will help the Middle Georgia Community Food Bank and 34 additional food banks to transport up 52.5 million pounds of food, the equivalent to 41 million additional meals, per year.

“In this economy, families and seniors across the country who rely on food banks have been hit especially hard,” said Margaret McKenna, president of the Walmart Foundation. “As Walmart stores continue to be the price leader on groceries, our partnership with Feeding America is helping us do our part to put more food on the dinner table. Our business and our charitable giving are united in the commitment to eradicate hunger in America.”

“We feel so blessed to be a recipient of the ‘Walmart Gives Back’ initiative,” said Ronald Raleigh, who has been the executive director of the Middle Georgia Community Food Bank since 1988. “Since the recession began, demand has increased 20 percent over last year in the 24 counties the Middle Georgia Community Food Bank serves. So Walmart’s generous donation will ease the concern of the many Macon residents who would otherwise be unable to provide meals for their families during the holidays.”

Walmart's donated food trucks are in response to a call from food banks that were unable to safely transport nutritious produce, deli meat, beef, chicken, dairy and other groceries. Since last November, Walmart stores and Sam's Club locations have donated more than 90 million pounds of food – the equivalent of 70 million meals – to Feeding America food banks, exceeding the company's goal and making Walmart Feeding America's largest food donor.

As in years past, the majority of Walmart's holiday giving will happen at the local level with more than \$24 million donated from the Walmart Foundation to nonprofits in the communities where Walmart's 4,000 stores and clubs are located. In addition, the Walmart Foundation will, once again, donate \$1.25 million to The Salvation Army and Red

Kettles will fundraise at Walmart stores and Sam's Club locations nationwide from Friday, Nov. 27 through Thursday, Dec. 24.

Later this holiday season, Walmart will announce additional recipients of its Walmart Gives Back holiday giving. For more information, visit www.walmartgiving.com.

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About Philanthropy at Walmart

Walmart and the Walmart Foundation are proud to support the charitable causes that are important to customers and associates in their own neighborhoods. Through its philanthropic programs and partnerships, the Walmart Foundation funds initiatives focused on creating opportunities in education, workforce development, economic opportunity, environmental sustainability, and health and wellness. From February 1, 2008 through January 31, 2009, Walmart – and its domestic and international foundations – gave more than \$423 million in cash and in-kind gifts globally. To learn more, visit www.walmartfoundation.org.

About The Middle Georgia Community Food Bank

The Middle Georgia Community Food Bank solicits, transports, sorts, stores, and distributes millions of pounds of food every year to the needy, hungry, and homeless in Middle Georgia through its participating 501(c)(3) charitable, nonprofit agencies in 24 counties of Middle Georgia. Through this service and its in-house programs, the Middle Georgia Community Food Bank is a vital link in the distribution of food, saving agencies millions of dollars in food costs that can be used in their programs for the needy. To learn more, visit www.mgcfb.org.