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MIDWEST FOOD BANK DELIVERS HAY TO NORTH CAROLINA FARMERS

BLOOMINGTON, IL - Midwest Food Bank is responding to an urgent need in the wake of Hurricane Helene by supplying hay to farmers in North Carolina who are without feed for their livestock. The hurricane's devastating impact destroyed vast acres of crops, leaving local livestock farmers struggling to secure enough feed for their cattle to survive the winter. With its deep agricultural roots and commitment to disaster relief, Midwest Food Bank is stepping up to provide immediate assistance.

In total, 650 large round alfalfa hay bales have been donated to Midwest Food Bank for this critical relief effort, and some shipments are already on their way to the WNC Regional Livestock Center in Canton, NC. Midwest Food Bank is seeking volunteers to transport these critical relief loads. They welcome individuals with trucking experience who can either drive or provide semi-tractors, trailers, or both. Please call 309-663-5350 if interested.

"Disaster relief comes in many forms, and we are here to support," said [Spokesperson's Name], [Title] of Midwest Food Bank. "We're using our farm-based roots to support agriculture when it's needed most."

Each truckload of hay costs approximately \$1,500 in fuel. Donations for fuel costs can be made at midwestfoodbank.org/relief.

Midwest Food Bank was founded in 2003 on the Kieser family farm in rural McLean County, Illinois. Partner non-profit agencies receive food from MFB at no cost. MFB, the largest food bank in the U.S., has 10 domestic locations serving 23 states. There are also two international locations, East Africa and Haiti. For more information about Midwest Food Bank, please visit their website at midwestfoodbank.org

Midwest Food Bank ("MFB") is a private, non-profit 501(c)(3) charity. It is the mission of Midwest Food Bank to share the love of Christ by alleviating hunger and malnutrition and providing disaster relief. Our vision is to serve those in need with excellence, providing physical and spiritual nourishment.

If you would like more information about this topic, please contact Jada Hoerr at 309-370-0171 or email jhoerr@midwestfoodbank.org.

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