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Dear Gracious Friend ,

Did you know that almost one in every two children in the Fresno Unified School District goes to school hungry? Even more shocking, a recently released report by the Brookings Institute found Fresno to be the most poverty concentrated area in the nation. These are not statistics we should be proud of.

We are committed to changing these statistics and making sure every child has a full stomach when they go to school and come home. That is why we are hosting the **13th Annual Empty Bowls**, a dinner to aid Community Food Bank's childhood hunger and nutrition programs.

Empty Bowls will be held from **5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Thursday, March 6, 2008 at the Fresno Convention Center, Valdez Hall (700 "M" Street, Fresno)**. This year's theme will be Iron Chef [®] Empty Bowls. Participants will enjoy a wonderful meal created by Clovis Institute of Technology students. Guests will also be able to choose unique ceramic bowls, hand-crafted by area students. The bowls are a reminder of local hungry children in need.

Following dinner is a silent auction, the proceeds from which help to cover the costs of operating our community based programs. Please consider making a donation or providing an item for the auction. Your tax deductible donation will be displayed with your company's name and/or logo and will be included in the event program.

Please help us put an end to childhood hunger. Thank you in advance for your generous support. For more information about **Empty Bowls** or donating, please call Dayatra Latin at **(559) 237-3663**. Together we are creating a hunger-free Central Valley.

Sincerely,

Dana Wilkie
CEO
Community Food Bank

Empty Bowls Silent Auction Sponsorship Form

Name, Address and Phone Number of Business or Individual:

Contact Person: _____

Name of Donated Item(s):

Description of Donated Item(s):

Approximate Value of Donated Item(s): \$_____

Method of Delivery: _____ Will Deliver to Community Food Bank
_____ Will Send in Mail
_____ Call Me to Arrange for Pick Up

* Donations to Community Food Bank are tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law

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