

January 9, 2008



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 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. This is why we are hosting the **13<sup>th</sup> 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 Style Empty Bowls. Participants will enjoy a wonderful meal created by the Institute of Technology students. Guests will also be able to choose unique ceramic bowls, hand-crafted by local students. The bowls are a reminder of hungry children in need. This year we ask that your company join us in the fight against hunger by sponsoring the **13<sup>th</sup> Annual Empty Bowls** dinner. The following are the various sponsorship levels available for you:

**Chowder Sponsor: \$500**

- Company name in the power point presentation
- Recognition on Community Food Bank website and in the newsletter
- Business card size ad in the program
- Two dinner tickets

**Gazpacho Sponsor: \$750**

- Company name in the power point presentation
- Recognition on Community Food Bank website and in the newsletter
- Quarter page ad in the program
- Four dinner tickets

**Gumbo Sponsor: \$1,500**

- Company name in the power point presentation
- Recognition on Community Food Bank website and in the newsletter
- Half page ad in the program
- Recognition as a sponsor at the event
- Verbal acknowledgement by emcee
- Six dinner tickets

**Bisque Sponsor: \$5,000**

- Company name in the power point presentation
- Recognition on Community Food Bank website and in the newsletter
- Full page ad in the program
- Recognition as a sponsor at the event

- Verbal acknowledgement by emcee
- Inclusion in event signage
- Eight dinner tickets

**Vichyssoise Sponsor: \$10,000**

- Company name in the power point presentation
- Recognition on Community Food Bank website and in the newsletter
- Full page inside cover ad in the program
- Recognition as a sponsor at the event
- Verbal acknowledgement by emcee
- Inclusion in event signage
- Recognition on all related media
- Ten dinner tickets

Please help us put an end to childhood hunger. Your generosity and support is greatly appreciated. For more information about **Empty Bowls** or donating, please call us at **(559) 237-3663**. Together we are creating a hunger-free Central Valley.

Sincerely,

Dana Wilkie  
CEO  
Community Food Bank