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**Coconut Creek Supports Cooperative Feeding Program
By Collecting Canned Foods**

Coconut Creek, FL – With so many people facing economic hardships and some families finding it difficult to provide basic necessities, such as food, the City of Coconut Creek has partnered with the Cooperative Feeding Program to begin collecting canned foods to support those in need in Broward County. According to Volunteer Broward, one in six residents in the County will go without a meal on any given night.

“We may not know if our own friends or neighbors can afford or provide a meal,” stated Dave Rivera, City Manager, Coconut Creek. “We have to work as a cohesive community to support one another during these trying times.”

Residents can donate canned foods at Coconut Creek’s City Hall (4800 West Copans Road), the Community Center (1100 Lyons Road), or the Recreation Complex (4455 Sol Press Blvd.). This program will run through the summer.

“Our community is experiencing an unprecedented need for food at this time. The Coconut Creek food drive will be helpful to hundreds of families who are struggling with getting food and also paying their bills,” stated Marti Forman, CEO Cooperative Feeding Program.

The Cooperative Feeding Program offers a number of services including a Community Kitchen which serves between 400-600 meals per day and an Emergency Food Pantry which serves 140-200 families per day. To learn more, visit www.feedingbroward.org.

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