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Harris Teeter is firmly committed to combating hunger in our community.

Combating hunger in our community has been a top priority for Harris Teeter since we opened our doors. In 2004 we held our annual Harris Teeter Harvest Feast on October 3rd at the Raleigh Convention Center. We served a traditional holiday meal to 4,006 people. On November 26th, we fed 4,200 people in need in the Charlotte area.

Harris Teeter is excited to hold our 3rd Harvest Feast in Raleigh at the RBC Center on October 30, 2005. We are very happy with the number of participants last year, however we know we barely scratched the surface of those struggling to make ends meet. With your help we would like to expand our guest list to include all agencies, communities and religious organizations serving those in need.

Not only will our invited guests receive a FREE holiday meal, they will also enjoy live music, entertainment by face painters, clowns and of course every child will receive gift. This is the perfect place for fun and fellowship for those struggling to make ends meet.

We know we can not reach our goal alone. So we have partnered with Inter-Faith Food Shuttle, The City of Raleigh, Triangle United Way and now would like to ask for your help to make our 2005 Harvest Feast a success.



The Harris Teeter Harvest Feast Food Drive is community building at its best," said Jill Bullard, Executive Director of Raleigh's Inter-Faith Food Shuttle. Jill Bullard and her team at the Inter-Faith Food Shuttle have been instrumental in making the Harris Teeter Harvest Feast a success.

Inter-Faith Food Shuttle, a United Way member agency, believes that hunger is unacceptable. They alleviate hunger by developing systems to recover, prepare and distribute wholesome, perishable food for the area's poor, hungry, undernourished and homeless.

Because you cared in 2004, Inter-Faith Food Shuttle accomplishments include:

- Rescued 4.2 million pounds of perishable food from over 200 donors including grocery stores, restaurants, and produce markets with 402,458 pounds coming from Harris Teeter.
- Provided over 26,000 grocery bags last year, directly to the doors of housebound & low-income seniors.
- Provided nutritious food to Community Learning Centers, Kids Cafes, and other tutoring programs for at-risk youth.
- Provide fresh, healthy food to 218 programs and agencies serving working families and others in need.
- Received \$1,107,228 from 1584 sources.
- Graduated 22 students from their Job Training Program.
- Prepared over 154,500 meals in our kitchen for those in need. Utilize 38,000 volunteer hours.

In the Triangle, over 11,735 senior citizens live below the poverty line according to US Census Bureau statistics. The cost of living is high in this community. There is an extreme shortage of affordable housing. Families with two wage earners making minimum wage cannot afford to pay rent and buy food. Since September 11, 2001, the Triangle has experienced major workplace layoffs climbing from a 2.2% unemployment rate to over 4.3% in early 2004. According to the 2005 *Point In Time Survey*, 1,106 people, including women and children are homeless in Wake County.

Are you interested in participating?

- YES! Our organization would like to bring people in need to the Harvest Feast.
- Our organization is not able to participate at this time but we will pass this information on to someone else.

Organization Name: _____

Staff Contact: _____

Number of people you expect to attend the event: _____

Limited transportation may be available. Would you be willing to provide transportation for your clients?

- Yes, we can transport our own people.
- No, we don't have transportation. We would need transportation to participate.

Our clients need disability access services.

- Yes
- No

More information and tickets will be available this fall. Please indicate how many of each item we should send to you:

• Tickets (please note each person needs a ticket)?

English _____ Spanish _____

• Flyers (8 1/2 x 11)

English _____ Spanish _____

• Posters (11 x 14)

English _____ Spanish _____

Participating Organization Information:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Please return completed form by Sept. 23rd

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