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St. Paul's Sixth Grade Students to Volunteer at Feeding the Gulf Coast for Their Annual Service Day

(January 29, 2020) – On January 30, as part of their annual Service Day, nearly 100 sixth grade students from St. Paul's Episcopal School will volunteer at Feeding the Gulf Coast. The students will be sorting non-perishable food donations, preparing meal bags for food-insecure children participating in the food bank's Backpack Program, packing food boxes for the Senior Program (CSFP), as well as tending to the onsite garden.

Every year, Feeding the Gulf Coast hosts St. Paul's students for their Service Day. St. Paul's Episcopal School focuses strongly on the importance of helping others with their Learning Through Service Program. St. Paul's regularly partners with local groups within the community to provide service opportunities to their students. Each grade has a specific area of focus. The sixth grade students learn about the problems of hunger and poverty facing our community and work through particular service projects that focus on hunger-relief.

"It is an honor for the food bank to annually host students from St. Paul's Episcopal School," says Missy Busby, Feeding the Gulf Coast Volunteer and Food Drive Manager. "1 in 5 adults, including 1 in 4 children in our community experiences hunger due to lack of food and resources. Year after year, we have the privilege to show students how they can have a positive impact on other children in their community who are in need. We hope these students walk away with a better understanding of how close to home hunger can be for families in our area and how they can make a difference."

- WHO: Feeding the Gulf Coast St. Paul's Episcopal School
- WHEN:
 Thursday, January 30, 2020

 8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
- WHERE: Feeding the Gulf Coast 5248 Mobile South Street Theodore, AL 36582

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The media is invited to attend.

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About Feeding the Gulf Coast

Feeding the Gulf Coast, formerly Bay Area Food Bank, serves a 24-county area spanning the Florida panhandle, south Alabama, and south Mississippi. In 2019, the food bank distributed over 22 million meals to over 400 church pantries, soup kitchens, and other nonprofit organizations throughout its service area. The food bank also operates multiple hunger-relief and nutrition programs, including Summer Meals, Afterschool Meal, Backpack, Disaster Relief, Mobile Pantry and Produce Drop Distributions and Nutrition Education. Feeding the Gulf Coast is a United Way member agency and a member of Feeding America. For more information, visit www.feedingthegulfcoast.org.

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