

# Paradise Valley Unified School District

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To Supporters of the Paradise Valley Emergency Food Bank:

Thank you for supporting the children of our community.

The food and cash donations you make to the Paradise Valley Emergency Food Bank directly benefit both bodies and minds of hundreds of young people in our community.

The Backpack Program provides more than 200 backpacks of food each week, which are distributed to students at three elementary schools in our district. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has compiled numerous studies showing a strong connection between health-related factors -- such as hunger -- and school performance. Your donation makes an important contribution to the success of students in the classroom and, therefore, throughout their lives.

In turn, our students learn lessons about compassion and civic responsibility by making their own donations to the Food Bank. There are 26 district schools actively involved in student food donation drives, and in our annual Empty Bowls event to provide cash donations.

When you donate to the Paradise Valley Emergency Food Bank, your generosity stays here, in our community, and makes a profound and immediate positive impact on the lives of our youth.

Sincerely,



James P. Lee, Ed.D.  
Superintendent

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