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### **GOLF OUTING SURPASSES \$2 MILLION RAISED FOR AREA FOOD BANKS** *Drive Out Hunger has raised more than \$2.2 million since 2007*

**MADISON, Wis., September 22, 2015** – Low scores might be best in golf, but a high number was a big win at the Alliant Energy Foundation's ninth annual Drive Out Hunger Golf Classic. Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin announced today that this year's Drive Out Hunger raised more than \$379,000 for nine Feeding America member food banks in Wisconsin, Iowa, Minnesota and Illinois. The golf outing was held on September 14, at Trappers Turn, Wisconsin Dells.

"We are grateful to Alliant Energy and its business partners for being part of our mission to end hunger through the Drive Out Hunger Golf Classic for the last nine years," says Dan Stein, President/CEO of Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin. "The difference they've made in the lives of people who struggle with hunger in the communities they serve is inspiring."

Since its inception in 2007, the Drive Out Hunger Golf Classic has raised more than \$2.2 million and provided more than 9 million meals to Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin and its sister Feeding America food banks whose service areas overlap where Alliant Energy provides service. Other benefiting food banks include Channel One, Inc. Food Bank & Food Shelf, Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin, Food Bank for the Heartland, Food Bank of Iowa, HACAP Food Reservoir, Northeast Iowa Food Bank, River Bend Foodbank and Second Harvest Heartland. Representatives from Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin and Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin attended this year's event.

"Alliant Energy is pleased to sponsor this annual event, and we thank our business partners for their generous support in making this event possible, said Patricia Kampling, Alliant Energy Chairman, President and CEO. We believe it's important to put our efforts into raising funds that directly affect the everyday lives of those in need. We remain committed in helping to improve the quality of life within the communities we serve. We appreciate the work done by Second Harvest, as well as other food banks throughout our service territory, in assisting those in need.

#### **About Alliant Energy Foundation**

The Alliant Energy Foundation is a philanthropic organization created by Alliant Energy Corp. and is operated as a separate entity led by its own board of directors. The Foundation is committed to making a positive difference in the communities where Alliant Energy employees, retirees and customers live and work. The Foundation, which is funded solely by the Alliant Energy shareowners, seeks to further the corporation's goal of being a good corporate citizen and contributing member of the communities they serve. For more information, visit the Foundation's web site at [www.alliantenergy.com/foundation](http://www.alliantenergy.com/foundation).

#### **About Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin**

Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin began working with local hunger-relief agencies in 1986. It helps end hunger in 16 southwestern Wisconsin counties through food distribution to its partner agencies, promotion of outside food assistance programs like FoodShare, and raising awareness of hunger. As southwestern Wisconsin's largest hunger-relief charity it meets nearly one million requests for help each year. From July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 Second Harvest, together with its partner agencies and programs, provided 12.4 million meals. It is one of 200 members of Feeding America, the nation's leading domestic hunger-relief charity. For more information, visit [SecondHarvestMadison.org](http://SecondHarvestMadison.org).

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