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Atmos Energy Gives \$2 Million to Help Feed School Children

FLOWOOD, Mississippi– Oct. 1, 2020 –Through its **Fueling Safe and Thriving Communities** program, Atmos Energy is giving \$2 million during September’s Hunger Action Month to join forces with hundreds of local school districts, food banks and other essential organizations that provide the breakfasts, lunches, snacks and healthy meals that all children need to grow, develop, and succeed.

“Hunger affects children in every community we serve. Our kids are starting school on an empty stomach, which impacts their ability to focus and learn,” said Kevin Akers, Atmos Energy president and CEO. “Atmos Energy is making this contribution to support local food programs in the 1,400 communities we serve, so hungry children get the food they need before, during, and after the school day and on weekends and holidays as well.”

An estimated 18 million children face hunger nationwide, and food insecurity has increased since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Atmos Energy team members join the nation during Hunger Action Month in taking a stand against food insecurity, also recognizing the tireless efforts of essential staff and volunteers who tackle hunger on the front lines every day.

“Our Mississippi team is focused on nourishing our children and their families in need,” said David Gates Atmos Energy Mississippi Division president. “No child should go to bed hungry, and we are grateful to our local nonprofit and school district partners for helping us ensure that children have regular access to healthy snacks, fresh produce and hearty balanced meals.”

The following Mississippi organizations received contributions from Atmos Energy’s **Fueling Safe and Thriving Communities** program:

Salvation Army	\$24,000
Extra Table	\$20,000
Jackson Public School District	\$15,000
Operation Shoestring	\$15,000
Friends of Children's Hospital	\$15,000
Kosciusko Schools	\$15,000
Junior Auxiliary Columbus	\$10,000
Amory Kiwanis Club	\$7,000
Cleveland School District	\$7,000
Pinelake Church	\$7,000
Together Ministry Center	\$7,000
United Way of the Capital Area	\$5,000
Junior Auxiliary Tupelo	\$5,000
Boys and Girls Club MVSU	\$5,000
Peyton’s House	\$5,000
Holmes County Consolidated School Child Nutrition Department	\$5,000



Our Daily Bread

\$1,000

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