



## 2020 Alameda County Stone Soup Food Drive: Employees donate 9 ½ tons of food and \$23,000

The Alameda County Board of Supervisors adopted [Vision 2026](#) to set the course for the next decade that anticipates community challenges and maximizes our ability to meet residents' needs in a rapidly changing world. One of Vision 2026's 10x goals is Eliminating Poverty and Hunger. In this spirit, Alameda County continued their 7<sup>th</sup> annual partnership with the Alameda County Community Food Bank on the Stone Soup competition.

Alameda County employees built imaginative displays constructed with cans, boxes, and bags of donated food focused on the theme of "Have A Heart". A record 20 County departments participated in Alameda County's [2020 Stone Soup Food Drive and Design Competition](#). The County raised 19,070 pounds of food, which is over 9 and a half tons, and exceeded our \$20,000 goal to donate over \$22,934 in monetary donations to the Alameda County Community Food Bank (ACCFB)! During COVID-19 food insecurity in our community has increased.

In support of our Stone Soup donation to the ACCFB, the **Eat. Learn. Play Foundation** founded by Stephen and Ayesha Curry will be matching our donation dollar for dollar raising a total of **\$45,868** for the Food Bank! The **Eat. Learn. Play. Foundation** helps provide meals to ensure that no child in our community worries about where their next meal comes from while schools are closed.

In 2012, Alameda County used the old fable of Stone Soup – which celebrates generosity and collaboration in difficult times – to create a new spin on its annual food drive to support the Food Bank through employee donations of food and cash.

The County and the ACCFB have strengthened their longstanding partnership during the current health emergency and partnered to expand distribution sites, establish new direct purchase agreements and deploy County staff to assist with food distribution. The ACCFB gladly accepts donations to help the less fortunate in our community. To donate, go to <http://www.accfb.org/>

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