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## **Schools Development Authority Participates in Governor’s Season of Service Initiative at Community FoodBank of New Jersey**

**HILLSIDE, NJ** – As part of the Christie Administration’s fifth annual “Season of Service”, New Jersey Schools Development Authority (SDA) Chief Executive Officer Charles McKenna and SDA staff volunteered at the Community FoodBank of New Jersey. SDA staff volunteers helped to pack food boxes that will be distributed to senior citizens throughout the State.

“When you see how much work the Community FoodBank of New Jersey does in order to get food sorted, repackaged and distributed, you see how vital it is to have volunteers assist in its mission,” said SDA CEO Charles B. McKenna. “The Governor’s Season of Service encourages all New Jersey residents to take some time to give back to those in need, especially during the holiday season.”

The Community FoodBank of New Jersey, a member of Feeding America, distributes food, provides education and training, develops programs to help hungry people throughout the state, and engages all sectors of society in this mission. Since their incorporation in 1982, the Community FoodBank of New Jersey has distributed almost 500 million pounds of food valued at roughly one billion dollars. Each year the Community FoodBank of New Jersey and their partners feed 900,000 hungry people. More information can be found at [www.cfbnj.org](http://www.cfbnj.org).

Today’s event is part of the Christie Administration’s fifth annual “Season of Service.” “Season of Service” is part of a larger, ongoing effort by the Christie Administration to showcase the profound impact volunteerism has on communities large and small across New Jersey, and the benefits these efforts continue to have on thousands of individuals and families during the holiday season and throughout the year.

The SDA manages the design and construction of school facilities projects in New Jersey’s 31 SDA Districts. The SDA is responsible for financing 100% of the cost of school facilities projects in SDA Districts. The SDA also provides grants of at least 40 percent of the eligible costs to New Jersey’s Regular Operating Districts. The SDA’s current portfolio of active projects is valued at \$2 billion – including the Capital Project Portfolio, emergent projects, and Regular Operating District grants.

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