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### Media Release

## **Hillsboro Students, Community Donate Over 300,000 Items to Elks Food Drive**

*Volunteers needed for deliveries on Saturday, December 20*

**December 18, 2014, Hillsboro, OR** – Huge thanks are in order to Hillsboro School District students, staff, parents and community members for their overwhelming support of Hillsboro Elks Lodge’s annual Food Drive. More than 300,000 canned items alone—not including any boxed, bagged or otherwise packaged items—were collected over the past few weeks for people in need in our community.

The high school competition drove a significant portion of the collection, with Hilhi emerging victorious for the first time since 2010 after collecting 20,421 cans. They barely edged out their closest competitor, Glencoe, whose students collected 20,219 cans. Next up was Century with 16,429 cans, and coming in fourth was Liberty with 11,311 cans.

Middle and elementary schools rounded out the collection, with some very impressive individual efforts like the one at Indian Hills where 3,670 cans of food—including lots of much-needed baby food—were assembled.

On Thursday, December 18, students from Century and Hilhi went to the Elks Lodge to help pack boxes of food that had been collected through the various school drives to prepare them for delivery to more than 670 local families this Saturday, December 20.

Volunteers are needed to help with the deliveries! Those interested should plan to arrive at the Elks Lodge at 21865 NW Quatama Road, Hillsboro, OR 97124, on Saturday, December 20, between 7:30 and 8:30am for a delicious (and free!) pancake breakfast, or between 8:30am and noon to simply help deliver. Volunteers can take as few or as many deliveries as they would like.

Hillsboro School District is deeply appreciative of the Hillsboro Elks’ efforts to support our community during the holiday season.

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### **Photo captions:**

Indian Hills food drive results 2014: Indian Hills Elementary School students collected 3,670 food items during their drive, including several jars of much-needed baby food.

CHS and HHS students box food at Elks 121814: Students from Century and Hilhi prepare boxes of food for delivery to families in need on Saturday, December 20.

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