



## Media Advisory

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### Capital Area Food Bank Tapped to Deliver Clean Water to Flint, Michigan

WASHINGTON, DC, March 15<sup>th</sup> – The region’s largest hunger organization is helping to send a train shipment of water to Flint, Michigan to help struggling residents. The Capital Area Food Bank will partner with other quick-response community leaders to fill an Amtrak train bound for Flint with bottled water for those impacted by the public health crisis there.

“Clean water, like food, is critical to health and to life itself”, said President and CEO Nancy E. Roman. “The food bank is proud to be using its truck fleet to deliver something so important”.

When the CAFB received the call for logistical assistance from an emergency water collection effort led by the Kentlands, MD Volunteer Fire Department, it agreed immediately to leverage its trucking capabilities to help the operation transport water to a train that will continue its journey north.



“The region knows that we are here for them--not only to strengthen the safety net under those who struggle to afford nourishing food, but also to act as a community partner when challenges arise, whether it’s providing emergency food drops as we did during this year’s large snow storm, or water to our more distant neighbors in Flint.”

The CAFB’s truck will deliver water to the Amtrak terminal of Union Station on Tuesday morning, March 15<sup>th</sup> at 11 am. Media interested in covering the delivery should please contact Kirsten Bourne at the CAFB as outlined above.

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*The Capital Area Food Bank is the largest organization in the Washington metro area working to solve hunger and its companion problems: chronic undernutrition, heart disease and obesity. By partnering with nearly 450 community organizations in DC, Maryland and Virginia, as well as delivering food directly into hard to reach areas, the CAFB is helping 540,000 people each year get access to good, healthy food. That’s 12 percent of our region’s mothers, fathers, sons, daughters, sisters, brothers, and grandparents. To learn more, visit: [capitalareafoodbank.org](http://capitalareafoodbank.org), or find the Capital Area Food Bank on Facebook at [facebook.com/CapitalAreaFoodBank](https://www.facebook.com/CapitalAreaFoodBank), and Twitter at [@foodbankmetrodc](https://twitter.com/foodbankmetrodc).*