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Land O'Lakes Donates 40,000 Pounds of Product to the Gleaners Community Food Bank of Southeastern Michigan

(ST. PAUL, Minn.) August 20th, 2014....Land O'Lakes, Inc. donated 40,000 pounds of LAND O LAKES® Macaroni & Cheese to Gleaners Community Food Bank of Southeastern Michigan.

This is the Land O'Lakes First Run Program's seventy-fifth donation since it was established in 2010. The program is committed to donating truckloads of fresh product year round, made specifically for food banks to help alleviate hunger nationwide. As part of the First Run Program, Land O'Lakes has donated more than 2.8 million pounds of product.

"Thousands of individuals and families in our region continue to face hunger, despite a growing economy," said Gerry Brisson, president of Gleaners. "I sincerely appreciate Land O'Lakes for helping us provide relief for those children, families and seniors who otherwise would not have enough to eat."

"As a national, farmer-owned cooperative, Land O'Lakes is committed to help the growing number of people who struggle to put food on their table," said Land O'Lakes Foundation Executive Director Lydia Botham. "The First Run program provides a unique opportunity for Land O'Lakes to provide a fresh, nutritious product to families that can enjoy it."

The First Run program is part of Land O'Lakes' *Feeding Our Communities* initiative. For more information on any of these programs, visit the Land O'Lakes Foundation web page at www.landolakesinc.com.

About the Land O'Lakes Foundation

The Land O'Lakes Foundation was established in 1996 and is made possible by support from Land O'Lakes, Inc. The Foundation awards community grants to projects that develop and strengthen organizations dedicated to hunger relief, education and the community.

About Land O'Lakes, Inc.

Land O'Lakes, Inc., one of America's premier agribusiness and food companies, is a member-owned cooperative with industry-leading operations that span the spectrum from farm production to consumer foods. With 2013 annual sales of more than \$14 billion, Land O'Lakes is one of the nation's largest cooperatives, ranking 199 on the Fortune 500. Building on a legacy of more than 93 years of operation, Land O'Lakes today operates some of the most respected brands in agribusiness and food production including LAND O LAKES® Dairy Foods, Purina Animal Nutrition and WinField. The company does business in all 50 states and more than 60 countries. Land O'Lakes, Inc. corporate headquarters are located in Arden Hills, Minn.

About Gleaners Community Food Bank

For over 37 years, Gleaners Community Food Bank has been "nourishing communities by feeding hungry people." Last year, Gleaners distributed 41 million pounds of emergency food to more than 550 partner soup kitchens, shelters and pantries in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Livingston and Monroe counties. Gleaners helps alleviate hunger by providing the equivalent of nearly 100,000 meals per day to people who otherwise cannot afford the food they need. Of every dollar donated, Gleaners uses 94 cents for food and food programs. One dollar provides three meals. Learn more at www.gcfb.org.