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### **Loudoun Hunger Relief is Dominion Foundation Critical Community Needs Grant Recipient**

**Leesburg, VA:** Loudoun Hunger Relief (LHR) is thrilled to announce that it has been named a 2018 recipient of a Dominion Foundation Critical Community Needs Grant. Dominion Foundation has awarded \$10,000 to Loudoun Hunger Relief to assist with funding of our newly implemented produce distribution hub.

"While the Dominion Foundation works year-round to support worthy charitable causes, these grants are earmarked for programs that deliver basic necessities such as shelter, nutritious meals and medical care, to people in need," said Deborah T. Johnson, Regional Policy Director State & Local Affairs, Dominion Energy Services, Inc..

Dominion Foundation's grant will fund equipment needed for the expansion and continuation of an innovative produce sharing program LHR began last year. The grant will pay for a refrigerated freight container to handle incoming produce and stage it for distribution to our 15 human service agency partners, and reusable plastic containers to properly store and transport the produce.

The produce distribution hub served 5000 Loudouners last year with fresh produce they would have been unable to afford. There is no cost to LHR's partner agencies or the end recipients for this program.

Jennifer Montgomery, Executive Director of Loudoun Hunger Relief said "Through the assistance of Dominion Foundation's grant, Loudoun Hunger Relief looks forward to expanding our produce distribution hub in the upcoming growing season. We will improve the efficiency of the operations, and make it easier than ever for low-income families in Loudoun to have access to healthy foods."

#### **About Dominion Foundation**

Dominion (NYSE: D), headquartered in Richmond, is one of the nation's largest producers and transporters of energy. The Dominion Foundation is dedicated to improving the physical, social and economic well-being of the communities served by Dominion companies, including Dominion Virginia/North Carolina Power, Dominion East Ohio, Dominion Hope, Dominion Transmission, Dominion Carolina Gas Transmission, Millstone Power Station in Connecticut and Dominion Questar in Utah and Wyoming. Dominion and the Dominion Foundation support nonprofit causes that meet basic human needs, protect the environment, promote education and encourage community vitality. For more information about Dominion and the Dominion Foundation, visit [www.dom.com](http://www.dom.com).

#### **About Loudoun Hunger Relief**

Loudoun Hunger Relief, Loudoun's leader in food assistance has been serving the Loudoun community since 1991. Last year, LHR served 8,000 Loudoun residents through more than 73,000 visits. 40% of those served are children and another 13% are senior citizens. LHR truly helps low-income, working families in Loudoun with 68% of those served employed and another 15% actively seeking employment. Residents in need can come twice a month and receive enough food to create three meals for three days for each household member. LHR distributed 1.4 million pounds of food last year. For more information, please visit our website [www.loudounhunger.org](http://www.loudounhunger.org) or call 703-777-5911.

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