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City of San Luis
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Mr. De La Hoya;

The Yuma Community Food Bank (YCFB) has been providing food assistance since 1978 by transporting and distributing food through multiple programs, to the San Luis Community. These programs include the distribution of USDA Commodities through The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP), the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP), Produce Distributions and food support to the San Luis Senior Nutrition Center.

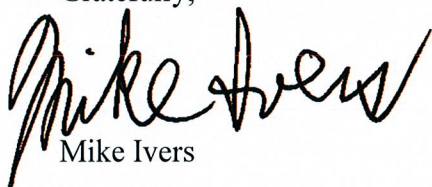
As the population of San Luis continues to grow, so does the need for food assistance. With a Human Development Index of 3.98, San Luis is far below the national index of 5.06, not to mention that 26.73% of the residents do not have the equivalent of a GED. With this in mind YCFB strives to meet the food insecurity needs of San Luis. Each year YCFB serves over 59,000 food boxes to residents in Yuma County, and every year this number increases, while resources and availability of product becomes more challenging to obtain.

With funding from San Luis, YCFB will continue to enhance our ability to serve the needs of the underserved members in your community. It is common knowledge that the economy has affected everyone and is slow in its return. To combat this, YCFB continues to provide any and all resources available toward procuring food and providing efficient distribution of it.

It is because of the increase in need that YCFB respectfully requests support in the amount of \$15,000 for fiscal year 2017. YCFB has truly appreciated the support and partnership that the City Council has provided to the Food Bank previously. It is with your support that we are able to provide food to those in need and we look forward to collaborating in our fight against hunger in your community.

If you need any additional information or if I may make a presentation to your council, please feel free to contact me: (928) 259-2203 or mivers@yumafoodbank.org.

Gratefully,



Mike Ivers

President/CEO

