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Straub Distributing Gives Back During All Employee Volunteer Day

Nearly 400 employees volunteer at Second Harvest Food Bank of Orange County during annual company meeting and service day

Irvine, CA – Nearly 400 employees of Straub Distributing arrived at Second Harvest Food Bank of Orange County today for their annual company meeting and service day. For the second year in a row, employees spent a day working at the Food Bank in an effort to give back to their community and make a difference.

“The Straub team is proud to support Second Harvest Food Bank and we appreciate the wonderful work that they do helping to feed the hungry in Orange County,” said Mark Danner, President of Straub Distributing. “They are a great organization and it is a pleasure for the Straub team to be able to help them in their great cause.”

“We’re extremely grateful to Straub for once again dedicating their day of service to Second Harvest Food Bank of Orange County and the 450 partner agencies that we serve, noted Joe Schoeningh, Director of Second Harvest. “With the demand for food assistance 35% higher than last year, we rely more than ever on volunteer hours to help us keep our costs down.”

The Straub team arrived at 7:00 am, working on a wide variety of projects throughout the day, such as assembling nearly 4,000 special food boxes designed to feed a family of four for a week.

Straub employees donated the equivalent of over 36 weeks of volunteer work in just one day of service, wrapped 700 food drive barrels, and sorted and labeled more than 110,000 pounds of food – the equivalent of 85,800 meals.

“Besides the Straub team’s extraordinary efforts sorting and labeling food product, they also donated their expertise in a number of much needed maintenance projects and overall facility upkeep that we would otherwise have to hire out. These cost savings can then be reinvested into programs that serve the needy within our community,” explained Schoeningh. “With the help of volunteers like Straub, we’re able to ensure 94.6 cents of every dollar donated goes directly to feeding those in need.”

“The employees of Straub Distributing Company are committed to making our community a better place to live,” explained Rick Sweeney, Straub General Manager.

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Special Guest, Rex Hudler, the former Angels Baseball Analyst and professional baseball player, provided words of encouragement to Straub employees during the company meeting and recognition awards that followed their lunch break.

Straub Delivery Representative, John Geist, summed up the overall sentiment of the day: "It feels good to be an employee of Straub Distributing, knowing the great things our company does in the community, like helping organizations such as Second Harvest Food Bank."

About Second Harvest Food Bank of Orange County

Since 1983, Second Harvest Food Bank of Orange County has provided more than 265 million pounds of safe and nutritious surplus food to now over 450 charitable non-profit organizations throughout Orange County. The Second Harvest Food Bank of Orange County is a certified Affiliate Member of Feeding America. For more information about Second Harvest Food Bank of Orange County or to learn how to help, visit www.FeedOC.org. Find us on Facebook at [facebook.com/SecondHarvestFoodBank](https://www.facebook.com/SecondHarvestFoodBank) or follow our news on Twitter at <http://twitter.com/SecondHarvestFB>.

About Straub Distributing

Straub Distributing was established in 1948. Straub is exclusively aligned with Anheuser-Busch's 12 breweries and a vast network of shippers. This allows Straub to provide the most extensive and effective beer distribution system in the brewing industry. In addition to its Headquarters in Tustin, Straub also has refrigerated warehouses in the cities of Orange, Irvine and Corona. These locations work in conjunction with a state of the art computer-based inventory system to ensure that Retailers and Customers in Orange County and the Inland Empire get the freshest, highest-quality beer available anywhere. The 375+ Straub Distributing employees are proud to offer World Class service for World Class beers.

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