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MEDIA ALERT

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SANTA TO COLLECT DONATIONS FROM MARSHALL SCHOOL FOR ST. MARY'S FOOD BANK ALLIANCE--FLAGSTAFF

Students Live out their Motto of People Helping People

WHO: St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance—Flagstaff and Marshall School

WHAT: Students at Marshall School have collected non-perishable food items for St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance—Flagstaff. Santa will be on hand in a 4-wheel cart to collect the items from students.

WHEN: Friday, December 21, 9:15 a.m.

WHERE: Marshall School, 850 North Bonito Street, Flagstaff 86001, (928) 773-4030

WHY: For close to 10 years, Marshall School has collected non-perishable items for St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance—Flagstaff.

“Marshall School promotes community involvement because of our Character Program,” explained Tim Hamrah, School Counselor at Marshall School. “One character attribute is ‘Caring,’ which we are doing by providing for those less fortunate in our communities. Our motto is people helping people. We have parents of children here that utilize the services of the Food Bank, so we know the Food Bank is a good facilitator of the donations we collect.”

For more information on how to help this holiday season or to make a financial donation, visit online at www.FirstFoodBank.org

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St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance, the world's first food bank, is a non-sectarian, nonprofit organization that alleviates hunger by efficiently gathering and distributing food to 675 sites that serve the hungry. Serving 13 of Arizona's 15 counties, the organization is committed to volunteerism, building community relationships, and improving the quality of life for Arizonans in need. During Fiscal Year 2006-2007, the Food Bank distributed 51.5 million pounds of food to families and individuals, provided enough food for 200,000 meals every day, and garnered more than 230,000 volunteer service hours. Web site: www.FirstFoodBank.org, Phone: 602-352-3640.