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From: Assistant Secretary for Human Resources and Administration (006)

Subj: Feds Feed Families Food Drive – 2015 (VAIQ 7646273)

To: All Employees

1. I want to personally congratulate the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) for an outstanding accomplishment in donating 389,562 pounds of non-perishable items for the 2015 Feds Feed Families Food Drive.

2. The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) led the 2015 food drive, and set a goal for agencies to beat last year's total. VA's last year's total was 369,145 pounds. VA employees beat last year's total by 20,417 pounds, achieving 105.53% of our goal.

3. Listed below are the top 10 donating facilities during the food drive. Congratulations to the Overton Brooks VA Medical Center in Shreveport, LA for collecting the highest amount of food donations with a total donation weight of 44,143.4 pounds.

Field Office(s)	Collection Total	Location (State)
Overton Brooks VAMC (667)	44,143.4	Shreveport, LA
Hines VAMC (578)	26,310.6	Hines, IL
Miami VAMC (546)	24,236.7	Miami, FL
Jack C. Montgomery VAMC (623)	19,651	Muskogee, OK
Huntington VAMC (581)	18,890	Huntington, WV
Tennessee Valley HCS (626)	17,687	Murfreesboro, TN
Chillicothe VAMC (538)	16,145	Chillicothe, OH
Waco VA Regional Office (349)	15,262.75	Waco, TX
Houston Regional Office (362)	12,493	Houston, TX
Robley Rex VAMC (603)	10,198	Louisville, KY

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4. I want to especially thank the employees that made a single donation of 250 pounds or more of goods to become Feds Feed Families Hall of Famers. These employees will be recognized by both VA and USDA. Please visit <http://vaww.va.gov/OHRM/FedsFeedFamilies/> to see our entire list of Feds Feed Families Hall of Famers.

5. Thank you to every Local Champion who worked tirelessly to implement a food drive at their facility. Your dedication and ability to tailor the food drive to your local facility and food banks made this year's drive the most successful ever.

6. Every employee who donated to this drive should feel a sense of pride knowing that his or her generosity helped others in their local community. Thank all of you for your outpouring of generosity.

7. Finally, I want to thank the Office of Human Resources Management (OHRM) team who helped lead VA to a successful showing in the Feds Feed Families Food Drive.


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