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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**Youth-Led Service Learning Project Aids Local Fight Against Hunger During The Holidays**

(Omaha-NE) November 17, 2016 – Students from local youth mentoring program, Partnership 4 Kids (P4K) have teamed up with University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO) Susan Thompson Buffet Scholarship recipients in the Thompson Learning Community (TLC) for the third year in a row to implement a service learning project benefitting the Hunger Collaborative (Together, Inc., Heartland Hope Mission and Heart Ministry). This day of service will take place on November 23, 2016 to ensure Hunger Collaborative agencies are well-stocked for those in need during the holiday season. From 10 a.m.-2 p.m., students will be stationed at the following locations collecting canned goods, clothing and hygiene supplies:

- **“TLC” Canned Food & Winter Clothing Drive @ Wal-Mart, 360 Saddle Creek Rd.**
- **“Heartland Helpful Hands” Canned Food and Winter Clothing Drive @ Family Fare: 820 N. Saddle Creek Rd.**
- **“Cold Day, Warm Hearts” Food & Clothing Drive @ Bakers, 888 S. Saddle Creek Rd.**  
Details about needed items being collected at this location can be found on Facebook@ColdDaysWarmHearts
- **“Warmer Together” Food & Hygiene Item Drive @ Supermercado, 1826 Vinton St.**  
Details about needed items being collected at this location can be found at:  
<https://www.facebook.com/warmerTogether/> or <http://devashish1000.wixsite.com/marsproject>
- **“Drive 4 Dignity” Hygiene Item Drive @ Walgreens, 4310 Ames Ave. and Hy-Vee Foods, 3410 N. 156<sup>th</sup> St.**  
Details about needed items being collected at these locations can be found at:  
<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100013955348948>
- **Kindness In Progress Food & Clothing Drive @ Supermercado, 3548 ‘Q’ St.**  
Details about needed items being collected at this location can be found at:  
<https://www.facebook.com/events/197785737325252/>.

In addition to collecting food, clothing and hygiene items at the locations listed above, students have developed a Go Fund Me page with a goal of raising \$1,000 to purchase an aquaponics system for Hunger Collaborative agency, Together, Inc. The aquaponics system will allow the agency to grow fresh produce in-house for distribution to those in need all year long. To donate to the aquaponics garden project visit: <https://www.gofundme.com/aquaponic-garden-for-together-inc-2vdhcuc>

Media are encouraged to attend.

*Partnership 4 Kids is a goal setting and group mentoring program that builds hope for underserved students and helps them create a foundation for success from kindergarten to careers. The agency has been serving the youth of Omaha for 27 years and currently reaches more than 5,400 students. Partnership staff and mentors empower these kids to succeed by teaching them how to set and achieve goals, inspiring them to explore a wide variety of career paths and giving them the keys to college access.*

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**Partnering with kids from kindergarten to careers**