The spirit of giving is alive and well at Wilbur-Ellis
“Fund Drive to Stop Hunger” raises $30,000!

Wilbur-Ellis employees showed tremendous generosity with our “Fund Drive to Stop Hunger,” which began in January and wrapped up in early February, 2021.

Employees not only met the first target for the fund drive, employee donations exceeded an ambitious $10,000 USD stretch goal, reaching $12,210.

Wilbur-Ellis matched every dollar donated by employees! This doubled the impact of every contribution. The company also donated an additional $5,580 to this important cause.

Together, employees and the company raised a grand total of $30,000 USD to help feed the hungry.

The organizations benefitting from the fund drive are Feeding America in the U.S., Action Against Hunger in Asia-Pacific, and Second Harvest of Canada. See the messages of appreciation from the three organizations (below), which put into perspective the impact of these donations.

Hunger relief organizations say “thank you”

Representatives of the three organizations receiving Wilbur-Ellis donations wanted to thank employees and the company. Here are their messages.

Feeding America: “On behalf of everyone at Feeding America and all the people we serve, thank you to Wilbur-Ellis employees and the company for your amazing generosity. Every dollar donated to Feeding America helps provide 10 meals for people facing hunger in the U.S. With the pandemic continuing, the need has never been greater, and the fact is, we couldn’t serve U.S. communities without support from people like you. Thank you for making a difference.” – Teresa Gruber, Director, Feeding America
Action Against Hunger: “We are grateful for the outpouring of generosity from Wilbur-Ellis employees. With hunger on the rise, there is an increasing need for urgent, immediate assistance. I want to thank you for stepping up at this crucial time, and let you know that your gifts are already hard at work. 93 cents of every dollar given is going directly to Action Against Hunger’s lifesaving nutrition programs. And since employee donations are being matched by your company, the impact is even greater! On behalf of our staff and beneficiaries in over 45 countries, thank you.” – Emma Langley, Manager, Action Against Hunger

Second Harvest of Canada: “Wilbur-Ellis’ contribution to Second Harvest of Canada will allow us to provide over 3,300 meals for families across Canada. The ongoing economic impact from COVID-19 continues to be significant, with 1 in 7 Canadian families experiencing food insecurity. On behalf of the entire team at Second Harvest, we are incredibly grateful for your support.” – Kris-John Kucharik, Manager, Second Harvest of Canada

The “Fund Drive to Stop Hunger” is just one of the ways Wilbur-Ellis gives back.

Throughout our 100th anniversary celebration, the company’s Giving Program has been raising funds to support the Red Cross. Each month we post a question, which is responded to by adults (including employees and friends of Wilbur-Ellis) and the kids in our families. For each response, the company is making a donation to the Red Cross.

This program builds on our long-standing support for the organization, including a $100,000 donation made in April, 2020, to help with COVID-19 relief efforts and the Red Cross’ ongoing mission. You can learn more about the Giving Program by linking to 100th anniversary Giving Program.

On an ongoing basis, the company supports worthwhile causes in communities where Wilbur-Ellis employees live and work through the Impact Fund. Since the fund was created in 2004, Wilbur-Ellis has contributed $7 million to local organizations chosen by employees worldwide.

In these ways – and many more – Wilbur-Ellis employees are putting caring into action.