



NEWS RELEASE

Contact: Paul Rapp, Marketing Manager
(209) 467-6665

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
November 6, 2008

San Joaquin RTD Prepares for 10th Annual "Stuff the Bus" Food Drive

(Stockton, CA) – San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) will hold its 10th Annual "Stuff the Bus" food drive Friday, November 14, through Sunday, November 16, 2008. This food drive benefits the Greater Stockton Emergency Food Bank's Stockton and Lodi locations and the Second Harvest Food Bank of Manteca.

"Stuff the Bus" began in 1999 and is a food drive campaign that encourages area residents to "stuff" an RTD bus with non-perishable food donations. Over the past several years, RTD and its campaign partners have collected nearly 100,000 pounds of food to help those in need during the holiday season. For this year's campaign, RTD is partnering with Food-4-Less, The Record, and Citadel Broadcasting. Radio station KWIN 97.7 and 98.3 FM will provide live broadcasts during the food drive.

On each of the campaign's three days, participants can bring their donations to the RTD bus location at the Food-4-Less store at 789 W. Hammer Lane (Hammer Lane at Lower Sacramento Road) in Stockton. Donations will be accepted Friday from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., and Sunday from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Area food banks serve nutritious food to thousands of people daily and over 100,000 men, women, and children annually in San Joaquin County. RTD and its campaign partners are proud to serve our community through the annual "Stuff the Bus" food drive and to assist the food banks in feeding the area's hungry during the holiday season.

For more information on "Stuff the Bus," including a list of suggested food items needed for donation, visit www.sanjoaquinRTD.com/stuffthebus.

#