

JBS USA to Partner with the MontCo Anti-Hunger Network Through Hometown Strong Initiative



Building on its ongoing sustainability and social responsibility efforts, JBS USA today announced a \$216,627 contribution to MontCo Anti-Hunger Network to purchase a distribution truck for their Food Resource Program, as well as provide financial support for the organization to operate for one year.

This donation is part of the company's <u>Hometown Strong</u> program, which includes a commitment to invest 41.1 million in Souderton, PA to support the communities future. JBS Souderton has been working with local leaders and various organizations to determine how the funds can best help meet immediate and long-term community needs.

"We are proud to partner with MontCo Anti-Hunger Network to lend a helping hand to our neighbors, in addition to our weekly donation of meat products to the community," said Adrian Ramos, JBS Souderton general manager. "Alleviating food insecurity is one of the top priorities of our Hometown Strong program as we work to strengthen the Souderton region."

"Hunger, particularly that created and intensified by COVID 19, cannot be resolved by nonprofits alone," said Paula Schafer, MontCo Anti-Hunger Network (MAHN) Executive Director. "We need the partnership of businesses like JBS that understand how valuable community stability is. This donation will strengthen Montgomery County's food safety net by catapulting MAHN to its next level of service capacity."

The JBS USA Souderton beef production facility employs more than 1,400 people with an annual payroll of more than \$62 million. The facility supports more than 1,100 local producers, paying them more than \$505 million per year for their livestock. Through MAHN, JBS Souderton donates roughly two tons of high-quality beef products per month to local food pantries.

Hometown Strong is a national \$50 million initiative that adds to commitments JBS USA has made to protect employees and ensure their job security amid the global pandemic. Hometown Strong is one of the largest community investment programs of its kind in the country.