

KRAVIS CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS PACK TO GIVE BACK



Jamie Kendall and Diane Quinn



Kravis Center's Pack to Give Back 2025

The **Palm Beach County Food Bank (PBCFB)** and **Kravis Center for the Performing Arts** are calling on the community to roll up their sleeves on Tuesday, Sept. 15th, for the Third Annual Kravis Center's *Pack to Give Back*, an ambitious effort to pack 300,000 meals in a single day for local neighbors facing hunger.

Held in recognition of *Hunger Action Day*, the event will transform the Kravis Center's Gimelstob Ballroom into a high-energy meal-packing operation, with volunteers working side by side to help meet a growing need across Palm Beach County.

With approximately 192,000 food-insecure residents throughout Palm Beach County, the PBCFB procures food from grocery stores, farmers, food distributors, wholesalers and other sources and distributes it to over 200 local community partners, including food pantries, soup kitchens and schools. During its 2026 fiscal year, PBCFB distributed over 11.9 million meals to over 197,000 residents experiencing hunger. The Food Bank has been honored with several accolades, including the *Chamber of the Palm Beaches Health and Human Services Organization of the Year* and the *Community Collaborator Award* at the 8th Annual Nonprofits *First Hats Off Awards*.

"As a community gathering place, the Kravis Center is proud to once again open our doors for *Pack to Give Back* and bring people together around such an important cause," said **Diane Quinn**, CEO of the Kravis Center for the Performing Arts. "There is something incredibly powerful about seeing hundreds of people working side by side toward one goal, and this event demonstrates the impact we can make when we each give a little of our time to help our neighbors."

Pack to Give Back has continued to grow since its launch, with approximately 1,000 volunteers coming together last year to exceed

the event's goal of packing 200,000 meals. This year's 300,000-meal goal represents a 50% increase and an opportunity to make an even greater impact for local families.

"We are incredibly grateful to the Kravis Center for its continued partnership and for helping us bring the community together in such a meaningful way," said **Jamie Kendall**, CEO of the Palm Beach County Food Bank. "As families across Palm Beach County continue to feel the strain of rising costs for essentials like groceries, healthcare and housing, the need for food assistance remains significant. Increasing our goal to 300,000 meals will help us reach even more neighbors who are working hard to make ends meet."

Community members can support the effort by volunteering for *Pack to Give Back* or through sponsorship opportunities. Current sponsors for the 2026 effort include **Allegany Franciscan Ministries, the American Culinary Federation Palm Beach County Chefs Association, AMG, ClearSpan Structures, Ed Morse Automotive Group, Fifth Third Bank, Florida Power & Light Co., Gold Law, Jones Foster, J.P. Morgan, the Kravis Center for the Performing Arts, Lessing's Hospitality Group, NCCI, Radial, Related Ross and Searcy Law**.

Volunteers are also encouraged to bring a jar or two of peanut butter or nut butter to the Kravis Center for PBCFB's *Hunger Action Day Peanut Butter Food Drive*, providing another way to help stock shelves for local families.

To volunteer, become a sponsor or learn more about *Pack to Give Back*, visit pbcfoodbank.org/kravis-giveback.

For more information on other *Hunger Action Month* activities are to support the PBCFB's efforts to assist hungry neighbors through the year visit pbcfoodbank.org. PHOTOS: CAPEHART