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Provident Branches Host Food Drive through November 30

To help feed families in need this holiday season, The Provident Bank is hosting a food drive at select branches from November 9 through November 30. The food will be distributed to local food pantries.

“We want to help local families in need during the holiday season,” said Jean Quinn, vice president of public relations at The Provident Bank. “More than 10 percent of New Jersey households are food insecure. With the rising number of working poor families and unemployed residents visiting food pantries, every donated item makes a difference.”

The most needed food items include: canned meats, canned fruits and vegetables, powdered milk and infant formula, stove top cooking items, meaty soups, stews, peanut butter, jelly and jams, and single serving meals for children, such as macaroni and cheese.

To find a Provident branch, visit www.ProvidentNJ.com or call 800-448-PROV (7786).

About The Provident Bank

With \$5 billion in deposits, The Provident Bank (www.ProvidentNJ.com) serves its customers via a network of more than 80 branches throughout northern and central New Jersey. The Provident Bank is the wholly owned subsidiary of Provident Financial Services, Inc. (NYSE:PFS), which reported assets of \$7 billion as of September 30, 2011.

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