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CHAZEN COMPANIES PROUD TO SUPPORT REGIONAL FOOD BANK'S BACKPACK PROGRAM

POUGKEEPSIE, NY (January 12, 2012)- The Chazen Companies, a leading provider of engineering, land surveying, environmental, planning, and landscape architecture services, made a donation to the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York's BackPack Program. During the check presentation, Mark Quandt, the food bank's Executive Director accepted the check from David Ardman, Chazen's Senior Director of Business Development.

Each December, the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York and Capital District Physicians' Health Plan (CDPHP) partner to fight childhood hunger in our community. The mission of the BackPack Program is to ensure hungry children have nutritious and easy-to-prepare food at times when other resources are not available. The program provides backpacks filled with food that is child-friendly, shelf-stable, and easily consumed. CDPHP matched donations of \$100 or more and donated \$5 for every new "like" on the Food Bank's Facebook page.

"Chazen has always been strongly rooted in community values and it's important to support organizations like the Regional Food Bank that works so hard to feed hungry and disadvantaged people," said Mark Kastner, the firm's President.

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