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### **Food Bank of Iowa receives \$15,000 donation from Care Initiatives**



*Photo Caption: Ret. Gen. John Tymeson, Food Bank of Iowa board president; Carey Miller, executive director of the Food Bank of Iowa; Judy Johnson; and Stephanie Scott, vice president and director of Administration of Care Initiatives.*

DES MOINES, Iowa – November 4, 2011 – Care Initiatives recently presented the Food Bank of Iowa with a check for \$15,000 in memory of former Food Bank of Iowa board member, Ivan L. Johnson. The donation will go towards the purchase of 10-14 lb. turkeys that hungry Iowans can receive through the Food Bank’s network of partner agencies this holiday season.

“I am so pleased to receive this donation from Care Initiatives,” says Carey Miller, executive director of the Food Bank of Iowa. “This contribution will help us provide turkeys that hungry Iowans can receive through the Food Bank’s network of partner agencies this holiday season.”

Today, 1 in 8 Iowans, or more than 382,000 individuals, are food insecure, meaning they lack the resources to maintain a healthy and active lifestyle. The situation is even worse for children – 1 in 5 do not have enough to eat. In FYE 6/30/11, the Food Bank of Iowa distributed 8,731,975 pounds of food, an increase of 10% over the previous year, from their distribution facility in Des Moines and their redistribution organization, the Food Bank of Southern Iowa.

“Care Initiatives is very happy to donate to the Food Bank of Iowa in memory of Ivan L. Johnson, who for many years, was a past board member of Care Initiatives and the Food Bank of Iowa,” says Miles B. King, president and CEO of Care Initiatives.

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**About the Food Bank of Iowa**

The Food Bank of Iowa is a private, not-for-profit organization committed to its mission of alleviating hunger through food distribution, partnership and education. The Food Bank of Iowa solicits, receives, inventories and distributes donated food and grocery products to 425 partner agencies in 55 counties who directly serve needy individuals within their communities. Forty-two of these counties are served from their facility in Des Moines with the remaining 13 counties being served by their redistribution organization, the Food Bank of Southern Iowa. To learn more, visit [www.foodbankiowa.org](http://www.foodbankiowa.org) or [www.Facebook.com/FoodBankIowa](https://www.facebook.com/FoodBankIowa).

**About Care Initiatives**

Created in 1988, Care Initiatives is the largest single operator of quality nursing homes in Iowa. They currently serve over 3,000 older Iowans through 44 nursing homes, eight assisted living locations and four independent living units. Care Initiatives is committed to providing for the special needs of the elderly throughout Iowa. All of their facilities are Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF), providing regular medical, nursing, social and rehabilitative services. To learn more, visit [www.careinitiatives.org](http://www.careinitiatives.org).

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