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**LOCAL RESTAURANTS TEAM UP WITH THE ST. LOUIS AREA FOODBANK TO
“SLICE OUT HUNGER”**

Six-week campaign aims to help provide thousands of meals for families in need

ST. LOUIS, August 17, 2018 — The **St. Louis Area Foodbank** and **Feast Magazine** are partnering with area restaurants to raise some “dough” for our neighbors in need – one slice at a time!

Slice Out Hunger runs through September 30 at more than 50 locations. During that time, participating restaurants and pizzerias are creating or designating a special pizza on their menu. Each time it is sold, a portion of the sales go to help provide nutritious meals to hungry children, families and senior citizens living in the 26 counties served by the St. Louis Area Foodbank.

“Almost everyone loves pizza,” said St. Louis Area Foodbank President and CEO, Meredith Knopp. “With kids going back to school and evenings filling up with practices, games, and social events, pizza makes for an easy weeknight or weekend meal. *Slice Out Hunger* is a delicious way to feed yourself and your family, while also helping provide meals for our neighbors in need. Last year alone, the Foodbank helped provide more than 35 million meals to individuals living in the bi-state region. This campaign will help us feed even more!”

Participating restaurants include Pi Pizzeria, ‘ZZA, Baked Woodfire Pizza Joint, PW Pizza, Monical’s Pizza, Prasino, Papa John’s Pizza, Anthonino’s Taverna, and selected Pickleman’s locations.

Slice Out Hunger is an integral part of the Foodbank’s Hunger Action Month efforts during the month of September. This year’s theme is “Hungry for Change!” The campaign provides a fun opportunity for the public to get involved and fight hunger.

There is also a social component. Diners are asked to take a photo of their pizza and post it on social media using the hashtag #SliceOutHunger. One person will be selected at random to win a gift card to their favorite participating restaurant.

More details on *Slice Out Hunger*, including a full list of participating restaurant locations and designated pizzas, are at STLFoodbank.org/SliceOutHunger.

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About the St. Louis Area Foodbank:

The St. Louis Area Foodbank began its service to the community in 1975. Since that time, the organization has grown to become the bi-state region’s largest nonprofit 501c3 food distribution center dedicated to feeding those in need. Through a network of more than 500 partner agencies in 26 counties in Missouri and Illinois, the Foodbank distributes over 43 million pounds of food and personal care items annually. More than 392,000 people in the bi-state region rely on the Foodbank for assistance each year. For more information on the organization and the issue of hunger, please visit www.STLFoodbank.org.