



RIVER BEND FOODBANK
Feeding the Hungry Since 1982



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Brad Paisley Responds to Quad Cities Call to Action

Food/Water Drive to Benefit the River Bend Foodbank

Moline, IL– With food bank shelves critically low, Brad Paisley is stepping up to help by offering a pair of tickets and a pair of “meet and greet” passes to his July 17th concert at the i wireless Center. Fans are asked to donate canned food, water, or make a monetary donation (\$2=1lb) at the River Bend Foodbank located at 309 12th Street in Moline, Illinois between the hours of 9am and 5p July 12-16th. The person who has donated the most by the end of the drive at 5pm on July 16th will get to meet Brad in person!

“Our food pantries are up almost 30 since the recession hit with its accompanying unemployment. Donations to the Foodbank and our agencies really slow down in the summer so this could not have come at a better time,” says Tom Laughlin. “Many families are still struggling to put food on the table and virtually all of our more than 150 food pantries are seeing new families, many who never thought they would need food assistance. We are very grateful to Brad Paisley for recognizing the need to feed the hungry in this country and stepping up to make this happen and thanks to each and every person who took part in this.

Donations can only be made at the River Bend Foodbank located at 309 12th Street in Moline, Illinois between the hours of 9am and 5p July 12-16th for this contest. The winner will be determined by total number of pounds donated with the cutoff for donation being 5pm on July 16th.



Last year, the River Bend Foodbank provided more than 6 million pounds of groceries to hungry Quad Citians through a network of 314 partner agencies and programs. There are over 10,000 individuals that seek food assistance each week in the River Bend's 22 county service. The Foodbank has helped each one of these people by providing food -- to get them through their time of need. Any food donations are greatly appreciated but items on our most need list include:

Rice

Pasta

Proteins like tuna or canned meats

Peanut butter

Stews and soups

100% fruit juices

Canned fruits and vegetables

About the River Bend Foodbank

River Bend Foodbank is the largest hunger relief organization in the Quad Cities and surrounding communities, distributing 6 million lbs of food annually to more than 300 charitable feeding programs throughout a 22 county service area in Eastern Iowa and Western Illinois. The Foodbank also operates four Kids Café sites serving over 84,000 individuals each year and providing more than 5,000 free meals to children at risk of hunger each year and the Backpack Program which provides over 1200 children with nourishing food to take home on the weekends during the school year.

Concert Information:

Brad Paisley H2O 2010 World Tour with special guests Darius Rucker and Justin Moore

Water World Plaza Stage Artists include Easton Corbin, Steel Magnolia and Josh Thompson

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Saturday, July 17– Doors open at 4:00 PM

Tickets starting at \$25 on sale now at the i wireless Center Box office and ticketmaster.com

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