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## **United Supermarkets and Junior League Kick Off Food 2 Kids Program to Fight Weekend Hunger**

**(LUBBOCK, Texas)** – [United Supermarkets, LLC](#) (United) is partnering with the [Junior League of Lubbock](#) for the sixth year in a row to host Junior League’s annual Food 2 Kids Pop-Tarts® drive Feb. 19 through March 5. The Food 2 Kids program provides 1,500 sacks of food every Friday to children who may suffer from hunger during the weekend, and as part of the Pop-Tarts® drive is accepting boxes of toaster pastries to be donated to the Food 2 Kids children.

“More than half of the elementary schools in Lubbock have at least 75 percent of students who qualify for free or reduced lunches, so these efforts are hugely important to our families and friends in Lubbock who are affected by hunger,” said Shelby Crews, community relations manager for United Supermarkets, LLC. “We thank guests for their continued support of the Lubbock community.”

Guests can purchase boxes of toaster pastries at any of Lubbock’s nine United Supermarkets, Market Street and Amigos stores and donate them by placing them in the Food 2 Kids barrels at the front of each store. Guests can also add a cash donation to their grocery purchase during checkout.

All sacks provided to children throughout the Lubbock Independent School District contain such things as peanut butter, juice, fruit snacks, pop-top cans of spaghetti, cereal, toaster pastries, etc.

### **About United Supermarkets, LLC**

Now in its 97<sup>th</sup> year of operation, United Supermarkets, LLC, is a Texas-based grocery chain with stores in 31 markets across north and west Texas. A self-distributing company with its headquarters in Lubbock and distribution centers in Lubbock and Roanoke, United currently operates 59 stores under four unique brands: [United Supermarkets](#), [Market Street](#), [Amigos](#) and United Express, along with subsidiary operations R.C. Taylor Distributing, Praters and Llano Logistics. The company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Albertson’s LLC. For more information, please visit: [www.unitedtexas.com](http://www.unitedtexas.com).

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**About Food 2 Kids**

The Junior League of Lubbock, in association with the South Plains Food Bank (SPFB) and Lubbock Independent School District (LISD), has created a program called Food 2 Kids (F2K) which is modeled after America's Second Harvest Backpack Program™. Fifteen hundred sacks of food are sent home every Friday with children identified as being potentially at high risk for suffering from hunger during the weekend. The sacks contain such things as peanut butter, shelf-stable milk, juice, fruit snacks, pop-top cans of spaghetti, cereal, nut snacks, pop-tarts, etc.

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***Tweet it:*** Purchase Pop-Tarts @UnitedWestTexas @MarketStreet\_TX or @AmigosTexas during Feb. 19 – March 5 to support Food 2 Kids