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**All Faiths Food Bank expands services in DeSoto County
thanks to grant from The Mosaic Company Foundation**

SARASOTA, FLA, - July 30, 2013 –All Faiths Food Bank is pleased to announce it is expanding the “DeSoto County: Hope Against Hunger” initiative thanks to a \$73,690 grant from The Mosaic Company Foundation. The funding support is part of Mosaic’s continued commitment to hunger relief in local communities where the company operates. Additionally, the food bank was one of 12 nonprofit organizations presented with a \$10,000 grant from The Mosaic Company during the company’s Hunger-Relief Forum on July 26, 2013 in Tampa, Fla.

The Foundation grant supports the expansion of All Faiths’ Backpack program and three mobile food cupboards. The Backpack program, which will be expanded in DeSoto County, provides food to elementary school children for the weekend. Every Friday, children who qualify take home a backpack full of nutritious, kid-friendly food that provides at least five meals. In addition, All Faiths will continue to conduct two mobile food cupboards in Arcadia, increasing distribution of food from 360 to 504 households. Extended hours for the Arcadia sites are also planned to help ensure low-income working families have access to the mobile pantry. A third new mobile cupboard in Hull will serve more than 3,000 individuals.

“We are grateful for Mosaic’s ongoing support,” said All Faiths Executive Director Sandra Frank. “Their generosity allows All Faiths Food Bank to serve people in need in Desoto and Sarasota counties.”

Based on poverty level alone, DeSoto residents have the highest risk of going hungry than any other county in Florida.

“We are pleased to align a good portion of our community giving to organizations that provide food to those who need it most,” said Gary “Bo” Davis, Mosaic’s Senior Vice President of Phosphate Operations and board member of The Mosaic Company Foundation. “We applaud All Faiths’ efforts in supporting hunger relief and ensuring children and others have access to nutritious food.”

About All Faiths Food Bank

All Faiths Food Bank is the hub of the hunger relief system in DeSoto and Sarasota Counties. Last year, All Faiths Food Bank distributed nearly 6 million pounds of food equating to 5 million meals through 180 partner agencies and programs. The mission is to feed those in need and educate the community about the issues of hunger and nutrition. More information about the Backpack Program and Mobile Cupboards and other programs can be found at www.allfaithsfoodbank.org.

About The Mosaic Company and The Mosaic Company Foundation

The Mosaic Company is the world’s leading producer and marketer of concentrated phosphate and potash, two essential crop nutrients. Driven by its mission to help the world grow the food it needs, Mosaic is committed to strengthening global food security and protecting critical water resources. The Mosaic Company and The Mosaic Company Foundation make investments in and partner with best-of-class leaders in the focus areas of food, water and local community investments. More information about Mosaic is available at www.mosaicco.com.

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