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PERDUE PRESENTS \$5,250 TO FOOD BANK OF DELAWARE

Check presentation coincides with Perdue associate volunteer event

Milford, Del. (Mar. 19, 2015) – Representatives from the Arthur W. Perdue Foundation, the charitable giving arm of Perdue Farms, announced this afternoon a \$5,250 donation to help support the Food Bank of Delaware’s Backpack Program.

The donation will enable the Food Bank of Delaware to provide weekend and holiday food to 33 children attending school in Sussex County. In addition to the check presentation, associates from Perdue’s Milford and Georgetown processing plants spent the afternoon packing bags full of food for the Backpack Program.

"Perdue and the Arthur W. Perdue Foundation are committed to helping those most in need in the communities where we live and work," said Kim Nechay, executive director of the Arthur W. Perdue Foundation. "Through this grant, we're happy to know the Food Bank of Delaware will be able to extend the reach of its Backpack Program to children in Sussex County."

The donation comes at a critical time as funding for the children’s Backpack Program is down, while demand is up. The program provides food to children in need for weekends and holidays when school is not in session and federal school meal programs are not available. Bags are stocked with kid-friendly, nutritious foods including shelf-stable milk and juice, meals such as macaroni and cheese and beef stew and more. School officials discreetly identify at-risk children and deposit the bag into their backpack prior to the start of a weekend or holiday break.

"We are thankful for Perdue’s continued partnership," said Food Bank of Delaware Milford Branch Director Chad Robinson. "We know that the Backpack Program is a lifeline for many Delaware children. Unfortunately, the meals received at school are many children’s only source of nutritious meals. The Backpack Program ensures that children have much-needed nutritious foods for when school is not in session."

To learn more about the Backpack Program, please visit <http://www.fbd.org/program/children's-nutrition-program/backpack-program/>.

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About the Food Bank of Delaware

The Food Bank of Delaware distributes millions of pounds of food and grocery products each year to 550 hunger-relief partners throughout the state and also provides thousands of meals a month for children through the After-School Feeding Program, the Summer Food Service Program and the Backpack Program. The Food Bank’s hunger-relief programs directly provide for

Delawareans at risk of going without meals each year. For more information about the Food Bank of Delaware, visit www.fbd.org or call (302) 292-1305.

About the Arthur W. Perdue Foundation

The Arthur W. Perdue Foundation, the charitable giving arm of Perdue Farms, was established in 1957 by company founder Arthur W. Perdue and is funded through the estates of Arthur W. Perdue and Frank Perdue. As part of our belief in supporting the communities where and with whom we do business, the Foundation provides grants on behalf of Perdue Farms in communities where large numbers of our associates live and work. At Perdue Farms, we believe in responsible food and agriculture.™