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## **Elk Grove Food Bank Services to Honor Assemblymember Jim Cooper at the Annual Harvest of Hope Gala Dinner for Securing \$4 million in State Funds for a Permanent Facility**

Elk Grove, CA – The Annual Harvest of Hope Gala Dinner on Saturday, September 14 from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. at the Sheldon Inn in Elk Grove will be a magical evening under the stars. The event strives to raise much needed funds for food insecure families and individuals in Elk Grove and surrounding South County. The evening is also a celebration as it will include a special presentation to honor Assemblymember Jim Cooper. Elk Grove Food Bank Services applauds Assemblymember Cooper for spearheading \$4 million in funding to find a permanent home for the Food Bank.

The Food Bank’s current location on Dino Drive doesn’t offer enough space for special distributions or for programs aimed at lifting people out of poverty. As a result, several programs are located at various offsites.

“This is a dream come true for our organization. I cannot express how grateful we are to Assemblymember Cooper for this incredible gift. The funding will make a profound difference in our ability to fill the need and inspire hope for so many in our community,” said Elk Grove Food Bank Services Executive Director, Marie Jachino.

About Elk Grove Food Bank Services:

Since 1974, the Elk Grove Food Bank Services has worked to mobilize resources in the community to alleviate hunger. With a mission to provide essential resources to overcome the many faces of hunger and human need, the Food Bank provides food, clothing and resources to struggling neighbors in need. The Food Bank serves approximately 6,000 individuals each month. For more information, visit: [www.elkgrovefoodbank.org](http://www.elkgrovefoodbank.org)

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