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**Weaver Private Foundation Names  
Feed The Children as 2012-13 Charity of Choice**  
*Weaver employees participate in volunteer opportunities across the state*

FORT WORTH, Texas (May 17, 2013) – The Weaver Private Foundation named Feed The Children as the Charity of Choice for the fiscal year 2012-13. The foundation contributed a total of \$45,000 to the organization in conjunction with local partner agencies in communities where Weaver, the largest independent accounting firm in the Southwest, has offices. Weaver employees participated in volunteer activities supporting local Feed The Children partner agencies across Texas.

Feed The Children participating partner agencies for this project included the Community Food Bank in Fort Worth; Eastside Community Connection in Austin; Cornerstone Baptist Church in Dallas; Target Hunger in Houston; the West Texas Food Bank in Midland and Odessa; and Daily Bread Ministries in San Antonio.

“A goal of the Weaver Private Foundation is to promote community involvement by providing enriching opportunities for our employees. As a firm we came together to service each of our communities,” said James Fitts, assurance partner and a foundation board member.

Together Weaver volunteers helped Feed The Children distribute a total of 60,000 pounds of food and supplies to 2400 families in need across Texas. In each location, the partner agency identified 400 families who each received a 25-pound box of food and a box of personal care items. The items distributed were designed to help a family of four for one week.

Volunteers helped the Community Food Bank of Fort Worth give out food boxes, essential boxes and last-minute donated fresh fruit and vegetables to recipients. In Austin, the Weaver volunteers helped Eastside Community Connection set up the distribution site, where 40 pallets of food and personal care items were unloaded, and coordinated the distribution process. Dallas Weaver volunteers gathered at Cornerstone Baptist Church to unload pre-packaged boxes and help distribute the food and essentials to families impacting more than 2000 individuals. In Houston, Weaver volunteers helped Target Hunger hand out food boxes to families. In Midland and Odessa, volunteers worked with West Texas Food Bank to sort and distribute food donations. Meeting at the Daily Bread Ministries’ parking lot in San Antonio, Weaver volunteers helped facilitate the loading of food and paper-goods boxes into each recipient’s vehicle.

“Weaver is pleased to support Feed The Children and each partner agency in the communities where we live and work,” said Tommy Lawler, managing partner and CEO. “When our employees participate in hands-on activities, they can see how the foundation gives back to their own community.”

“We are very thankful to Weaver for providing help and hope to people who have been affected by today’s economy,” said Kevin Hagan, Feed The Children president and CEO. “Their generosity means that more children and families in these communities will have food on their tables.”

### **About the Weaver Private Foundation**

The Weaver Private Foundation (Foundation) was created to sponsor organizations, events and programs in the communities in which our employees live and work. The Foundation’s efforts emphasize the firm’s commitment to community involvement and employee work/life balance. Because Weaver employees value community involvement in their professional and personal lives, it is the goal of the Foundation to involve our employees in the contributions made and the efforts represented.

### **About Feed The Children**

Founded in 1979, Feed The Children has been consistently ranked as one of the largest international charities based in the U. S. Through six strategically-located distribution centers in the U.S. and in 10 countries around the globe, Feed The Children works diligently to break the cycle of poverty through community sustainability programs, in addition to providing relief supplies in the face of disasters. For more information, visit [www.feedthechildren.org](http://www.feedthechildren.org)

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**Weaver Private Foundation Names Feed The Children as Charity of Choice for 2012-13** – From left first row: Lindsey Mitchell, Tennille Ayers, Tammy Regal, Renee Mitchell, Katelyn Regal, Melissa Cote, Sandy Yang, Shonda Tucker, Kimesha Garrett, Karen Collins and Becky Reeder, Feed The Children Regional Director of Donor Relations for Texas Todd Gray, Dana Burris, Kim Henning, Beth Ann Black and Martin Garcia; Back Row: James Fitts, James Black, Ellen Minnig, Sarah Saucedo, Jonathan Schulteis, Bill Hattox and Adam Henning surround the statewide check from the Weaver Private Foundation.