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Catholic Charities of Idaho Receives Grant of \$5,108.50 from The Fred Meyer Fund.

Boise, ID (November 25, 2008) – Catholic Charities of Idaho announced today it has received a community grant (totaling \$5,108.60) from The Fred Meyer Fund for the Stamp Out Hunger in Boise program.

CCI's Stamp Out Hunger in Boise program is designed to help families that qualify for various hunger relief programs be aware of and be able to access those services. Struggling families can get assistance with transportation, home visits or interpretation services that allow them to access resources to help end hunger and care for themselves.

“The Fred Meyer Fund and its Advisory Committee Members were particularly impressed by the successful track record of Catholic Charities of Idaho and its programs,” said Glynda Brockhoff, philanthropy coordinator for Fred Meyer stores and The Fred Meyer Fund. “We hope this community grant will help CCI continue the important work it is doing to enhance the welfare of the community. We are proud to be a part of the Boise community and are committed to helping where we can”.

The Fund's community grant program is drive by 29 Advisory Committees made up of local Fred Meyer associates from each Fred Meyer store, plant, and warehouse. The Advisory Committee members research nonprofit organizations in their communities and then award community grants.

The community grants are funded by donations from Fred Meyer Associates and customer donations in the Make Change Count coin boxes at all check stands. The dollars collected through associate donation and coin boxes are combined and allocated by the Advisory Committees as community grants in the four western states where Fred Meyers operates.

The Fred Meyer Fund assists nonprofit organizations dedicated to helping children and reducing hunger in communities served by 129 Fred Meyer stores in Alaska, Idaho, Oregon and Washington. In 2007, The Fred Meyer Fund awarded \$1.7 million in grants.

Fred Meyer is a division of The Kroger Co., which is one of the nation's largest food retailers. Fred Meyer contributes more than \$5 million to communities across the Northwest each year through grants from The Fred Meyer Fund as well as product donations, cash donations and sponsorships. The Fred Meyer Fund has awarded grants totaling over \$9 million since it began awarding grants in December 1998. For more information call 1-800-858-9202, ext. 5605.

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