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Yuma Community Food Bank and Yuma County Intergovernmental Public Transportation Authority Partner on 3rd Annual Stuff the Bus Food Drive

YUMA, AZ (October 29, 2014) – Yuma County Intergovernmental Public Transportation Authority (YCIPTA) and Yuma Community Food Bank will partner on holding the 2nd Stuff the Bus food drive to drive away hunger in Yuma County. Starting on Monday, November 3, 2014 through Saturday, December 20, 2014, any time someone brings a non-perishable food donation on board a Yuma County Area Transit (YCAT) bus, a **free ride** would be provided.

Through the Stuff the Bus Food Drive there was a total of 9,081 lbs of non-perishable food items collected in 2013, which was an increase of 2,358 lbs from 2012. We hope to see more individuals take action and participate in this great event and see if we can break 12,000 lbs this year!

During these difficult times it is important to remember those less fortunate throughout the community. YCIPTA and Yuma Community Food Bank are proud to serve their community through the annual Stuff the Bus food drive in order to assist agencies in feeding the area's hungry during the holiday season.

For more information on the Stuff the Bus campaign, including a list of suggested food items needed for donation, visit www.ycat.az.gov or www.yumafoodbank.org.

For YCAT Transit Information and YCAT OnCall reservations call 928-783-2235. You can also visit the YCAT online at www.ycat.az.gov.

For Yuma Community Food Bank information, please call 928-343-1243 or visit www.yumafoodbank.org.

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About Yuma County Intergovernmental Public Transportation Authority

YCIPTA is the public transportation provider for Yuma County, formed as an intergovernmental public transportation authority as defined in the Arizona Revised Statutes by the Yuma County Board of Supervisors, YCIPTA is governed by a nine member Board of Directors consisting of all of the municipalities, the County government, Indian tribes and higher educational institution in Yuma County. 465,111 passengers' trips were made on YCAT buses in FY 2014. YCIPTA operates, maintains and administers Yuma County Area Transit (YCAT) fixed route, deviated fixed route, vanpool and paratransit services and contracts services to National Express of Cincinnati, OH, Saguaro Foundation of Yuma, AZ, vRide of Troy, MI and Enterprise Rideshare of Tempe, AZ. See where it takes you at www.ycat.az.gov or call 928.783.2235.

About Yuma Community Food Bank

Founded in 1978 by a group of dedicated volunteers, the Yuma Community Food Bank focused on the need to feed hungry children within Yuma County. Thirty-Four years later, the Yuma Community Food Bank continues to create and enhance emergency and supplemental food programs that have an educational and a nutritional component for families throughout Yuma and La Paz County. The customers that the Yuma Community Food Bank serves are classified as the "working poor." This would include single moms and dads, two parent families, veterans and senior citizens on fixed incomes. This represents over 300,000 visits to the Food Bank annually which are the population working at or above minimum wage jobs and continue to struggle to feed themselves, their children and their families. For Yuma Community Food Bank information, please call 928-343-1243 or visit www.yumafoodbank.org.

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