

Make A Difference Day 2007 Results

The Kentucky Commission on Community Volunteerism and Service traditionally sponsors a campaign to collect canned beef stew and other canned foods as part of its Make A Difference Day observance. Collected food is donated to food pantries and emergency feeding centers in the communities where the food is collected.

Created by USA Weekend Magazine, Make A Difference Day is an annual event observed on the fourth Saturday of October. This year, KCCVS sponsored one beef stew/food drive on behalf of our Kentucky AmeriCorps programs and another among CHFS Department for Community Based Services regional offices.



Kentucky AmeriCorps programs collected a total of 436,306 ounces of food. More than half of that total, **297,271 ounces**, was collected by members of The Learning Corps who not only earned bragging rights for a year, but also will receive a special Make A Difference Day Governor's Citation commemorating their winning effort.

Three of the nine CHFS Department for Community Based Services regional offices participated, collecting a total of 42,454 ounces of food. More than half of that total, **21,972 ounces** was collected by the Two Rivers Service Region representing an average of more than 40

ounces collected by each of 545 regional office employees. The Two Rivers Service Region will receive the special Make A Difference Day Traveling Award for the second consecutive year as part of the annual Governor's Awards for Outstanding Volunteer Service presentation ceremony in the spring.

The Frankfort Kiwanis Club collected 30,000 ounces and \$1,100 to help feed families in Franklin County.

Statewide, Kentuckians collected 508,760 ounces of food - **enough to feed more than 63,500 Kentuckians**, exceeding last year's total by more than 20,000 servings.

To all participants, on behalf of the KCCVS, thank you for making a difference.