

Make A Difference Day 2009 Results

2009 Project Wins National Award



State Journal Publisher Ann Dix Maenza, center, presents (left to right) Andrea Sieloff, Shannon Ramsey, Tom Utterback, and Eileen Cackowski, executive director of Kentucky Commission on Community Volunteerism and Service, with a \$10,000 check from USA WEEKEND Magazine on April 16, 2010.

Kentucky's Make A Difference Day 2009 project won one of 10 national awards! Follow the links below to learn more about the project that collected more than 123 tons of food and brought \$10,000 to the commonwealth.

Half of the \$10,000 went to the [Build-A-Bed](#) project and the other half was shared equally among the top 5 food collectors to give to the food bank of their choice.

[USA WEEKEND: Make A Difference Day Honorees](#) (April 18, 2010)

[Kentucky Make A Difference Day video](#) (April 18, 2010)

CHFS Press Release: [Kentucky Wins \\$10,000 Award for Volunteer Project; Food drive collects enough to feed almost 500,000](#) (April 13, 2010)

[CHFS Focus: Staff Honored for Donations to Statewide Food Drive](#) (July 26, 2010)

[The Heart Line: Follow Up on Make A Difference Day 2009](#) (August 19, 2010)

Food Drive Competition Results

The overall drive statewide yielded more than **123 tons** of food - **enough to feed 493,087 Kentuckians*** an 8-ounce serving. This is a 74 percent increase from last year. If all 493,087 Kentuckians stood in line for their serving of food, the line would be more than 186 miles long.

The cabinets collected almost 13 tons of food and the DCBS regions collected more than 4 tons of food. The Kentucky AmeriCorps programs collected a staggering 106 tons of food. See the competition breakdowns [here](#).

[Make A Difference Day 2009 Governor's Proclamation](#)

[Make A Difference Day 2009 Picture Slide Show](#)

[Make A Difference Day 2009 Press Release](#) (Nov. 18, 2009)

** Reports totaling 2,509.68 ounces (313.71 servings) were submitted after the reporting deadline and are not included in the total, but the food still went to local food pantries.*