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Bob Evans Restaurants Partners with Columbus Dream Center to Feed Families in Need

Columbus-based brand continues legacy of giving back to families in need on Thanksgiving Day

NEW ALBANY, Ohio, November 20, 2020 – Bob Evans founded his business on the belief that food has the power to bring people together and provide joy and comfort during challenging times. Paying homage to the brand's legacy of hospitality and giving back to the communities in which it serves, Bob Evans Restaurants is supporting local families this Thanksgiving through a donation of meals to The Columbus Dream Center. The Columbus Dream Center is a faith-based organization that serves low-income, homeless and underserved individuals and communities across Central Ohio.

On Thanksgiving Day, volunteers at The Columbus Dream Center and the Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority will serve over 1,200 comforting Bob Evans "Homestyle Hug" meals to individuals in need across seven low-income housing communities that cater to the elderly and disabled. Volunteers will also be serving meals to-go at The Columbus Dream Center on November 26 for individuals experiencing homelessness.

"Bob and Jewell Evans always made sure there was a seat at the table for neighbors in need. Our partnership with the Columbus Dream Center allows us to remain true to their belief that a farm fresh meal can bring a sense of comfort in the most uncertain of times," said Bob Holtcamp, chief marketing officer for Bob Evans Restaurants.

"At the Columbus Dream Center, during times of uncertainty, we identify a need of the community and find a way to meet it. Our tradition of serving Thanksgiving to those in need in our city is one of the most tangible ways we can do this, and we are thrilled to be partnering with Bob Evans this year to serve even more residents," said Cris Gordon, chief advancement officer for The Columbus Dream Center.

For many families in Columbus and across the country, breaking bread with those they love may not be feasible this holiday season. To help guests gift meals of their own, Bob Evans Restaurants is providing a way to send a "virtual hug" to their loved ones, no matter the distance between them, with their "Holiday Homestyle Hugs." A Homestyle Hug is a comforting meal packed full of traditional holiday favorites, prepared with care in the Bob Evans farmhouse kitchen and then delivered right to your loved ones' doorstep. Ordering just takes a few simple clicks and customers can select from multiple options, including the Farmhouse Feast for Thanksgiving and Christmas, a Family Meal to Go or an individual meal.

For more information and offerings from Bob Evans, visit <https://www.bobevans.com/homestyle-hug>. For more information or to make a donation to The Columbus Dream Center, please visit <https://www.columbusdreamcenter.org>.

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About Bob Evans Restaurants, LLC

Bob Evans Restaurants is a chain of family style restaurants founded and headquartered in Columbus, Ohio, which owns and operates locations in 18 states, primarily in the Midwest, mid-Atlantic and Southeast regions of the United States. Founder Bob Evans believed in treating strangers like friends and friends like family; and those principles are alive today at every Bob Evans Restaurant. As a private company owned by Golden Gate Capital, Bob Evans Restaurants is focused on providing quality food and hospitality to every guest at every meal, each



and every day. For more information and restaurant locations, visit BobEvans.com, or follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).