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RE: Thanksgiving Food Drive

Dear Industry Partner,

As you know, our world changed forever when the COVID-19 pandemic spread rapidly with unrelenting force. It brought a level of instability to our world, our nation and our city that we had never experienced. The convention and tourism industries were among the hardest hit by the immediate shut down of operations to help prevent the spread of this devastating virus. Thousands of union members who power the McCormick Place campus found themselves instantly unemployed.

In a collaborated effort with the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority (MPEA), the Chicago Federation of Labor (CFL) and various trade unions we will be holding a Thanksgiving Food Drive for the union workers whose lives have been upended because of the pandemic. **We are looking to provide Thanksgiving meals to approximately 2,000 families.** Donations are being collected through the CFL Workforce & Community Initiative, a 501(c)3 organization. All donations are tax-deductible as allowable by law. Checks should be made payable to **CFL Workforce & Community Initiative** and mailed to:

CFL Workforce & Community Initiative
Attn: Freddie Fisher
8027 S. Drexel Avenue, Chicago, IL 60619

Donations are also being accepted online at www.ChicagoLaborReliefFund.org

We recognize that a lot of our industry partners are also experiencing difficulties and may not be able to donate. Our members and their families are finding the strength to persevere and endure despite the overwhelming obstacles they are faced with every day and for that we would like to make sure they have an enjoyable holiday. We sincerely hope you will consider a donation.

In Solidarity,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin McLaughlin".

Kevin McLaughlin
UBC Trade Show Representative
Chicago Regional Council Representative