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## **Thousands Support 34th Annual Hunger Walk Run**

*Attendees braved rain to raise funds for the Atlanta Community Food Bank*

**ATLANTA, GA (02/26/18)**-- The Atlanta Community Food Bank recently hosted its **Hunger Walk Run** to raise funds and awareness for the 1 in 6 Georgians who face hunger each day. Despite the weather conditions, an estimated 7,000 individuals gathered at Georgia State Stadium with the goal of raising \$1 million in donations.

The 34th annual event, featured live performances, a high energy warm-up session, kids games and tastings from sponsors and vendors. A great variety of food trucks were also onsite supporting the organization by donating 15% of their sales towards the event. Attendees, young and old, expressed their generosity and excitement while partaking in the fun run. The first person to cross the finish line, did so in just under 18 minutes!

"We look forward to Hunger Walk Run each year, since it brings together our supporters, who all hail from various communities," said Kyle Waide, President & CEO of the Atlanta Community Food Bank. "Over the past 34 years, this event has become more than just a way to give back, but a day of unity, gathering people committed to ending hunger across Metro Atlanta and North Georgia."

Individuals of all ages participated in the **Hunger Walk Run**, including 92-year-old Jimmie Phillips. She has attended every **Hunger Walk Run** since its inception. "Atlanta is my home and knowing that many of my neighbors are struggling with food insecurity is heartbreaking," said Jimmie Phillips. "Every year, I look forward to the Hunger Walk Run and gathering with other community members, so we can do our part to help make strides to ending hunger."

For those who weren't able to attend the **Hunger Walk Run**, you can still make an impact by contributing online at [hungerwalkrun.org](http://hungerwalkrun.org). Donations will be accepted through March 15.

### **About the Atlanta Food Community Bank**

The Atlanta Community Food Bank works to end hunger with the food, people and big ideas needed to ensure our neighbors have the nourishment to lead healthy and productive lives. Far too many people in our own community experience hunger every day, including children, seniors and working families.

Through more than 600 nonprofit partners, we help more than 755,000 people get healthy food every year. Our goal is that, by 2025, all hungry people across metro Atlanta and North Georgia will have access to the nutritious meals they need when they need them. It takes the power of our whole community to make that possible. Join us at [ACFB.org](http://ACFB.org).

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