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**OPERATION ISAIAH 2021 RAISES MORE THAN \$37,000
TO FIGHT HUNGER IN ATLANTA**

ATLANTA, GA – Inspired by scripture from the prophet Isaiah, “to share your food with the hungry”, Atlanta’s Jewish Community holds their metro-wide food drive in the fall of each year during the High Holy Days, known as **Operation Isaiah** to benefit the Atlanta Community Food Bank. During this year’s virtual fundraiser, more than \$37,000 was raised to help the food insecure in the greater Atlanta community which equates to over 148,000 meals. The project spanned over the 2021 Jewish High Holidays and was supported by the generous contributions of eight local Synagogues.

“We are incredibly grateful for the support and dedication of all the participating Synagogues and their congregants,” said [Kyle Waide](#), President & CEO of Atlanta Community Food Bank. “In years past, participants of **Operation Isaiah** would rally to bring in hundreds of bags of food to support our cause. We applaud their fluidity as we shifted to a virtual event due to the pandemic. This partnership is very important to us, and we look forward to this connection for years to come.”

The eight teams that participated in this year’s **Operation Isaiah** included Ahavath Achim, B’Nai Torah, Congregation Bet Haverim, Congregation Beth Shalom, Congregation Shearith Israel, Temple Beth David, Temple Beth Tikvah, and Nancy Weiner.

It has been over 30 years since this initiative started, and in that time, over 1 million pounds of food was provided throughout the Atlanta community. The High Holy Days is all about making amends, giving back and resolving to do better in the future, which is exactly what **Operation Isaiah** stands for.



About Operation Isaiah

Operation Isaiah was conceived by Ahavath Achim Synagogue over 25 years ago. Operation Isaiah's core mission is to address the issue of hunger and the need to help those in the Atlanta community who struggle with food insecurity. Ahavath Achim's Operation Isaiah has grown over the years and has morphed into the Atlanta Jewish community's High Holiday effort to combat food insecurity. A number of synagogues and Jewish Day schools now participate in these important efforts. Ahavath Achim strives to continue to be the leader in the Operation Isaiah project. For more information, visit www.aasynagogue.org.

About Atlanta Community Food 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 700 nonprofit partners, we help more than 715,000 people get healthy food every year. Our goal is that 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.

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