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## American Cruise Lines Raises Over \$14,000 for the Connecticut Food Bank with Its 2017 Holiday Give-Back Program



**Guilford, CT—January 2, 2018**—American Cruise Lines is pleased to report that it raised over \$14,000 this 2017 holiday season for the Connecticut Food Bank. For the past five years, American Cruise Lines has held a *Holiday Give-Back Program*, which donates \$50.00 for each cruise ticket sold during the holiday season to the Connecticut Food Bank. Since the program began in 2013, the Line has been privileged to contribute each year to such a critical local organization.

The Connecticut Food Bank was founded in New Haven in 1982. It partners with food retailers, growers, donors and volunteers to source food and distribute it through a network of community-based programs. The Connecticut Food Bank provides food to hungry adults and children in six Connecticut counties: Fairfield, Litchfield, Middlesex, New Haven, New London and Windham. They are an affiliate of Feeding America, the nation's food bank network, and are the largest centralized source of emergency food in Connecticut. Last year, they distributed enough food to provide more than 18 million meals.

“We are so pleased to contribute to this fantastic organization and our staff looks forward to volunteering at the Wallingford center each year. There is nothing more rewarding than giving back and directly effecting our local community in a meaningful way, especially during the holiday season,” said Susan Shultz-Gelino, Director of Sales for American Cruise Lines.

American Cruise Lines looks forward to a continued partnership and commitment to support the Connecticut Food Bank in 2018.

**About American Cruise Lines:**

American Cruise Lines is the largest cruise line in the U.S. and the premiere leader in the industry. The Line has become the gold standard for cruising in the U.S. through a focus on ship innovation and a tradition of introducing only brand new ships. With two new ships debuting in 2018, the Line will operate 10 ships; the largest modern fleet of small cruise ships, modern riverboats, and authentic paddlewheelers in the country. Featuring over 35 itineraries, the Line cruises along the rivers, as well as the coastal and inland waterways of the U.S. including New England, Alaska, the Pacific Northwest, the Mississippi River system, and the Southeast.

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