



NEWS RELEASE

**UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD CONTRIBUTES THE EQUIVALENT OF A
BOXCAR OF FOOD TO NORTHWESTERN MISSOURI FOOD BANK**

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OMAHA, Neb., December 13, 2011 – Union Pacific Railroad today is helping keep Second Harvest Community Food Bank in St. Joseph, Mo., stocked during these tough economic times by contributing \$10,000 to purchase 200,000 pounds of food, enough to fill a boxcar.

"It's during tough times like these, and throughout our history, Union Pacific has assisted the communities we operate in to help them through times of need," said Ben Jones, Union Pacific Railroad's director of public affairs – Missouri and Kansas. "We are pleased to be able to once again help our neighbors."

"Hunger impacts every community across our 19 county service territory," says David Davenport, Second Harvest CEO. "Hunger is here and it is growing. We are thankful that Union Pacific has committed to become part of the solution. Not only will their leadership put 150,000 meals into the hunger relief system, but it will serve as inspiration to others who believe hunger is unacceptable and desire to step forward and make a difference."

Union Pacific's \$10,000 contribution will be used by Second Harvest Community Food Bank to purchase 200,000 pounds of food or the equivalent of 150,000 meals, which would take more than 1,200 grocery cart baskets to hold.

About Union Pacific

One of America's iconic companies, Union Pacific celebrates its 150th anniversary in 2012. Abraham Lincoln signed the Pacific Railway Act on July 1, 1862, creating the original Union Pacific. Today, Union Pacific Railroad is the principal operating company of Union Pacific Corporation (NYSE: UNP), linking 23 states in the western two-thirds of the country by rail and providing freight solutions and logistics expertise to the global supply chain. From 2000 through 2011, Union Pacific spent more than \$31 billion on its network and operations, making needed investments in America's infrastructure and enhancing its ability to provide safe, reliable, fuel-efficient and environmentally responsible freight transportation. Union Pacific's diversified business mix includes Agricultural Products, Automotive, Chemicals, Energy, Industrial Products and Intermodal. The railroad serves many of the fastest-growing U.S. population centers and emphasizes excellent customer service. Union Pacific operates competitive routes from all major West Coast and Gulf Coast ports to eastern gateways, connects with Canada's rail systems and is the only railroad serving all six major Mexico gateways.

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