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## **Tadlock Roofing 2nd Annual Food Drive Aims to Combat Food Deserts**

Tallahassee, FL - July 23, 2019 - More than 800,000 children don't get enough food to live an active, healthy lifestyle in Florida alone. Locally, the counties of the Big Bend have the highest rates of Florida residents struggling to put enough food on the table, according to Rick Minor, executive director of Second Harvest of the Big Bend. Leon County Schools made local roofing contractor, Tadlock Roofing, aware of the food pantry need at Amos P. Godby High School, and Dale Tadlock, president and owner, is rising-to-the-occasion for the second time around.

"These are children who don't have a lot of food to eat so getting the proper nutrition is going to not only help them perform better in school but also make them healthier individuals," says Tadlock.

Tadlock Roofing is holding a two week food drive, July 22- August 2, aiming to collect 2,000 non-perishable, approved food items to stock the food pantry at Amos P. Godby High School. On Thursday, August 8 at 12:45pm, Tadlock is set to present Amos P. Godby Principal, Desmond Cole, with a \$2,000 check on behalf of Tadlock Roofing along with the 2,000 community-funded food items to supplement the school's needs.

"Last year's impact made a lasting impression on me," says Tadlock. "There was never any doubt we, as a company, wanted to continue to sponsor the food pantry but that we also wanted to give our community the opportunity to rise to the occasion for our kids."

According to Leon County School District, the high school has been collecting food for the past few years for their pantry, which takes about \$4,000 to run each year. The pantry feeds roughly 25 families throughout a school year who would likely go without on the weekends.

"The continued generosity of Tadlock Roofing is astounding and so greatly needed, says Rocky Hanna, superintendent of Leon County Schools. "Food insecurity is an issue across the board and Amos P. Godby high school is no exception."

For more information about ways to donate to Amos P. Godby High School's Food Pantry, contact Kelli Walker at [walkerk7@leonschools.net](mailto:walkerk7@leonschools.net) or (850) 510-9736.

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