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## 11th Annual Grateful Plate Gala brings leaders together to solve summer hunger City of Milwaukee Health Commissioner Bevan Baker will make special appeal

**Milwaukee – (June 2, 2017)** –Nearly 400 business and community leaders will gather Wednesday, June 7 for the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Grateful Plate Gala to **help close the summer meal gap for the 1 in 4 children in Milwaukee who are facing hunger**. Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin will host the event at its Milwaukee food bank, 1700 W. Fond du Lacey Ave.

This year's gala will bring back the nostalgia of the iconic Wisconsin Supper Club, which for decades has been a gathering place where friends celebrate community. The Milwaukee food bank will be transformed to recreate the atmosphere of these unique gathering spots.

**WHO:** About 400 business and community leaders  
Special Guest Speaker: **Bevan Baker, City of Milwaukee Health Commissioner**

**WHEN:** Wednesday, June 7  
5 p.m. Networking and Silent Auction  
6 p.m. Dinner, Live Auction, Program

**WHAT:** 11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Grateful Plate Gala – An Evening to Solve Hunger

**WHERE:** Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin, 1700 W. Fond du Lac Ave., Milwaukee

**WHY:** Child hunger in Wisconsin spikes during the summer months as 4 out of every 5 children eligible for school meal programs, lose access to that vital nutrition when school is not in session.

Feeding America Board members, **Mike Fordney, of BMO Harris Bank, and Cindy Moon-Mogush, a marketing executive**, are serving as co-chairs for the annual fundraiser. Board Chairman **William Bohn, Executive Vice President of Associated Bank** will also attend and will introduce **Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin's new president, Patti Habeck**.

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*Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin is the leading hunger relief organization in the state with locations in Milwaukee and the Fox Valley. Founded in 1982 by the Rotary Club of Milwaukee, Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin is a local and independent member of the Feeding America network. Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin collaborates with more than 550 members, including food pantries, meal programs, shelters and community-based mobile pantries to provide 25 million meals annually to nearly 400,000 people across 36 counties in eastern Wisconsin. Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin also supports programs that improve food security for people in need, advocates on their behalf and works collaboratively to solve hunger.*

***Together we can solve hunger.***

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