



Press Advisory

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Ozarks Food Harvest to Dedicate O'Reilly Center for Hunger Relief *Public Dedication & Open House next Tuesday at 12:15 p.m.*

WHAT: Public Dedication of the O'Reilly Center for Hunger Relief, the new home of Ozarks Food Harvest
WHERE: The Food Bank, 2810 N. Cedarbrook Ave., Springfield, Mo.
WHEN: Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2009 at 12:15 p.m.

SPRINGFIELD (Sept. 9, 2009)—[Ozarks Food Harvest](http://OzarksFoodHarvest.org) will hold its official public dedication event next Tuesday to honor its *Compassion in Action* campaign donors and dedicate the community's new food bank, the O'Reilly Center for Hunger Relief.

The public dedication and open house begin at 12:15 p.m. in front of the new Food Bank facility located at [2810 N. Cedarbrook Ave.](http://2810N.CedarbrookAve.com) in the North Creek Business Park in North Springfield.

Officials will dedicate the new Food Bank with an official ribbon cutting ceremony; facility tours to follow. Ozarks Food Harvest will remain open for public tours until 4 p.m.

Ozarks Food Harvest embarked on its capital campaign for a larger, more efficient distribution center to feed more hungry Ozarks families five years ago. Today, the only food bank in southwest Missouri serves more than 350 hunger relief organizations, reaching more than 55,000 people each month in 29 Ozarks counties. OFH distributed seven million pounds of food during its last fiscal year—the highest distribution in The Food Bank's 25-year history—made possible due to its network of charities and direct-relief programs such as the Weekend Backpack Program™, Kids Cafe® and the Mobile Food Pantry™ program.

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