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Lincoln, Rhode Island 02865

December 29, 2011

Exhibition Panel Judges

Lincoln High School

135 Old River Road

Lincoln, Rhode Island 02865

Dear Judges,

Working on this exhibition project has been difficult, but if my finished project will make people aware of the growing problem of people not getting enough food, and perhaps volunteering or working to help this dilemma, than my hard work will have paid off.

I started to volunteer at St. Patrick’s Meal Kitchen in Providence with my grandmother, Mrs. Barbara Frappier, and my aunt, the late Sister Fran Conway, RSM, when I was in elementary school. I was too young to realize at that time how important it was to volunteer. It was only when I was in Middle School that I realized how unfortunate these homeless, hungry people truly are, and how we who are fortunate enough to have a roof over our heads, and full stomachs take these things for granted.

Our current economic situation has resulted in budget cuts and fewer donations to these vital meal kitchens, which means less food for those who truly need it. And the number of families (not just individuals) going to meal kitchens is increasing. Meal kitchens are in need of goods and service in order to continue to operate. While working on this exhibition project, and participating in the December Drama Club production, I came up with the idea of a canned good donation drive. I was pleased that the drive was successful, bringing in over 30 canned goods to those who truly need it. I plan on holding additional food drives, as well as contacting elected government officials, to see what possible solutions are available, to keep the meal kitchens open, and provide opportunities for families to be able to provide for themselves once again.

Thank you for taking the time to judge my presentation. I hope it will give you a sense of awareness as to this growing problem in our area.

Sincerely,

Your Name