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TWENTY RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE IN FIGHT AGAINST HUNGER

LITTLE ROCK, AR (September 25, 2014)− More than 200 hunger advocates gathered at the Arkansas Governor’s Mansion for the Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance’s annual Hunger Action Breakfast. The event highlights the work of those individuals, elected officials, businesses and non-profits that have gone above and beyond in their mission to alleviate hunger in Arkansas. The Hunger Action Breakfast is part of the month long observance of Hunger Action Month, a time when hunger relief agencies and advocates across the nation raise awareness of the impact of hunger on the citizens of the nation.

Governor Mike Beebe delivered welcoming remarks at the event followed by the invocation from Alliance board member Frank D. Scott Jr. Members of the Sheridan Ministerial Alliance, Rev. John Embry and Mike Carpenter, imparted this year’s Story of Hope about how the decision to become a summer meals sponsor brought unexpected fellowship and life-changing experiences to their multi-denominational alliance.

The 2014 Acting Out Against Hunger award winners are:

**Individuals:**
Tom Brannon
Randy Clanton
Kirby Fullerton
Paulette Hill
David Mason (posthumously)
Kelly Mitchell
Ken Sauer
Charolette Tidwell

**SNAP Outreach Volunteers:**
Nancy Eddy
Valerie Pearsall
Gail Pitts
Marnie Wightman

**Government/Elected Official:**
Senator Bruce Maloch
Senator Eddie Cheatham
Senator Gary Stubblefield
Senator Bill Sample
Senator Jon Woods

**Business/Corporation:**
Employees of Riceland Foods

**Philanthropic/Non-Profit:**
Life Skills for Youth
William F. Laman Public Library

The 2014 Hunger Action Breakfast was co-chaired by Ruth Whitney, Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance board member and CEO of Inveritas Research & Consulting, Inc., and Ron Fuller, corporate and governmental relations specialist and owner of Ron Fuller Enterprises, Inc.

Gold Sponsors for this year’s breakfast were:

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**Silver Sponsors:**
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The Alliance
Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance, lead partner in Arkansas for the No Kid Hungry campaign, is a non-profit collaborative network of more than 400 hunger relief organizations across Arkansas. Our founding members include the Arkansas Foodbank in Little Rock, the Food Bank of Northeast Arkansas in Jonesboro, Harvest Texarkana Regional Food Bank in Texarkana, Food Bank of North Central Arkansas in Norfork, Northwest Arkansas Food Bank in Bethel Heights and River Valley Regional Food Bank in Fort Smith. The Alliance is dedicated to reducing hunger through direct relief, education and advocacy. We invite you to visit [www.ARhungeralliance.org](http://www.ARhungeralliance.org) for details on hunger relief programs, donor and volunteer opportunities.