
HeadWaters Resort & Casino and Partners Deliver Thanksgiving Meals to Norfolk Families

Norfolk, VA – HeadWaters Resort & Casino and the Pamunkey Indian Tribe in collaboration with community organizations Solid Rock Worldwide Outreach Ministry, Bountiful Blessings, Sentara Healthcare and Impact Virginia are excited to again sponsor the 15th annual Turkey Trailer. This event delivers turkeys and other food items to citizens from across Hampton Roads, putting the *give* in Thanksgiving.

The Turkey Trailer was held at Military Circle Mall in the Sentara Health Norfolk Campus parking lot, on **Saturday, November 18th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** Approximately 2,100 baskets were prepared for families in the Hampton Roads area needing a Thanksgiving meal.

“It is a great honor of the tribe to be able to help uplift our community,” said Robert Gray, Chief of the Pamunkey Indian Tribe. “Battling food insecurity in Norfolk has been a priority of the tribe and HeadWaters Resort & Casino. With the cost of goods rising exponentially, providing a resource for families to be fed is critical, especially during the holiday season. We are honored to have the opportunity to provide meals for the community this Thanksgiving and thankful for our community partners who help us feed Norfolk 365 days a year.”

2023 marks the fourth year in a row that HeadWaters has served as a key partner for the Turkey Trailer. Over the past three years, this event distributed food to more than 8,000 Hampton Roads families, including 2,168 in 2022. This year the Tribe again expects to support more than 2,000 families marking the 10,000th Thanksgiving meal the Tribe and HeadWaters Resort & Casino have helped deliver to Norfolk area residents. The Turkey Trailer is just one piece of the Tribe’s efforts to end food insecurity in Norfolk. Through a canned food drive at Harbor Park this year and partnerships with 10 local food pantries the Tribe has provided just under 600,000 meals for Norfolk residents in need since 2020. Fighting food insecurity is the foundation of HeadWaters Resort & Casino’s support in the Norfolk community.

HeadWaters Resort & Casino won city approval with an overwhelming majority of residents voting in favor of the project in November of 2020. Once fully operational the project is anticipated to create thousands of jobs and provide tens of millions of dollars in annual tax revenue for city schools, and nearly a billion dollars in annual economic impact for the area.

