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Wawa and The Wawa Foundation Announce Achievement of Reaching Milestone of Donating \$50 Million to Causes Surrounding Health, Hunger and Every Day Heroes Four Years After Inception of The Wawa Foundation

Wawa Thanks Customers, Associates and Community; Announcement Made on Wawa Day

Wawa, PA (April 12, 2018) – Wawa, Inc. is thrilled to announce that as of early 2018 and ahead of this year's Wawa Day celebration on April 12, Wawa and The Wawa Foundation have achieved the milestone and their initial goal of donating more than \$50 million to causes supporting Health, Hunger and Everyday Heroes. A 501(c)(3) non-profit organization founded to encompass most of Wawa's charitable giving, The Wawa Foundation was launched in 2014 in celebration of the Company's 50th anniversary in convenience retailing.

Over \$50 million in support has impacted more than 4,000 organizations within The Wawa Foundation's three focus areas of Health, Hunger and Everyday Heroes across the Company's footprint of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, Florida and Washington, DC. In addition, more than 13 million meals have been donated through the Wawa Share program.

"We are incredibly grateful for the generosity and dedication of our wonderful customers for helping us to achieve this goal even earlier than expected, and we send our heartfelt thanks to each and every one of them for supporting The Wawa Foundation and all the important causes we've identified over these past four years," said Chris Gheysens, Wawa President and CEO. "As The Wawa Foundation moves into the future, we look forward to continuing our commitment to building stronger communities by championing life-saving research and the care of people in need, leading hunger relief efforts and supporting the heroes making a difference every day."

The Wawa Foundation is committed to building and maintaining strong relationships with local communities and national partners through:

- Financial grants-to local, state and national partners, supported by in-store charity collection campaigns (through Wawa and The Wawa Foundation)
- In-kind support for local community events and organizations (through The Wawa Foundation and Wawa Community Care Team)
- Wawa Share Food Donation Program through the daily donation of unsold foodservice products to local food pantries (through Wawa)

## **About The Wawa Foundation**

The Wawa Foundation is an extension of Wawa's commitment to making the world a better place by fulfilling customers' lives every day. The Wawa Foundation is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation founded by Wawa, Inc. to support the company's charitable giving and philanthropic activities – and ultimately to help build happier, stronger communities. The Wawa Foundation focuses its support on organizations committed to health, hunger and everyday heroes through local, state and national grants and in-kind donations.







## YOU GAVE. YOU SUPPORTED. YOU MADE A DIFFERENCE.

AND WE THANK YOU.

Wawa and The Wawa Foundation have contributed \$50 million since The Wawa Foundation's inception in 2014, and we couldn't have done it without you.

The Wawa Foundation Has Three Focus Areas













## **National Partners**

















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