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### **TARGET HUNGER TO PARTNER WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES AND COMMUNITIES TO FEED FAMILIES IN NEED**

HOUSTON – June 17, 2009 – Target Hunger, a nonprofit agency working to alleviate hunger and its root causes in the heart of Houston’s inner city, will provide 50 to 90 pounds of food and produce to approximately 1,400 families affiliated with the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services Kinship Department and Communities in Schools on Saturday, June 27, 2009, from 10:00am to 2:00 p.m. at the headquarters of Target Hunger located at 2814 Quitman, Houston, Texas 77026.

With the current economic situation, families are struggling more than ever to make ends meet. Many families now have the added responsibility of caring for the children of relatives. These mounting expenses have now required families to make hard choices between paying the bills or buying food. Target Hunger hopes to provide a much needed resource to these families by providing quarterly distributions of food starting in June.

Target Hunger, a United Way agency, was established in 1989 as a grassroots, community-based program to combat the growing hunger problem in Houston’s inner-city neighborhoods. Each month, Target Hunger distributes food to more than 9,000 needy Houstonians through its 12 neighborhood food pantries, 10 senior day sites, and home delivery routes. In conjunction with hunger relief, Target Hunger empowers families in need by providing a path to self-sufficiency. Programs that are currently offered include nutrition classes, job training workshops, literacy classes, GED and ESL classes, self-esteem classes, afterschool and summer youth development programs and counseling services.

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