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**TEEN-DRIVEN CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION GIVES \$10,000 TO FIGHT  
CHILDHOOD HUNGER IN AMERICA**

*CHECK PRESENTED TO OREGON FOOD BANK EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/CEO*

**March 24, 2008**

**Lake Oswego, OR** - Bringing relief to some of the nearly 13 million hungry and food insecure children in America<sup>1</sup>, Teens Fighting Hunger™ today presented a check for \$10,000 to Rachel Bristol, Oregon Food Bank (OFB) Executive Director/CEO. This contribution will allow the collection and distribution of over 50,000 pounds of nutritious food through OFB's highly effective food distribution programs.

"We're very thankful for this gift and applaud these teens for actively working to improve the lives of others," Bristol stated. "This is an excellent example of how youth can make a positive difference in society."

Teens Fighting Hunger was founded in May, 2007 by Amy Carlton, a high school sophomore from Lake Oswego, Oregon. Appalled by the state of childhood hunger and malnutrition in such a wealthy nation, Carlton came up with the idea of harnessing the artistic talents of teens and channeling these abilities toward hunger relief in the U.S.A. To date the organization has raised funds through sales of handmade arts & crafts, including earrings, hats, scarves, and cards as well as through events and donations.

"I believe Teens Fighting Hunger is the only organization of its kind in the United States and we're extremely proud to have created and accomplished so much in less than one year," explained Carlton. "It's mainly due to a combination of caring, dedication, entrepreneurship, hard work and the generous support of donors, sponsors and customers."

Through the exclusive use of volunteers and by carefully managing expenses to a minimum, nearly every dollar raised so far by Teens Fighting Hunger is able to go directly to combat childhood hunger.

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Teens Fighting Hunger is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation with its home office in Lake Oswego, Oregon. For more information about the childhood hunger problem in America or for more information about Teens Fighting Hunger, visit [www.teensfightinghunger.org](http://www.teensfightinghunger.org).

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<sup>1</sup> Source: USDA, 2006



**Amy Carlton (R), founder of Teens Fighting Hunger presents a \$10,000 check to Rachel Bristol (L), Oregon Food Bank Executive Director/CEO, to aid in the fight against childhood hunger in America.**