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Dear Friends,

We are incredibly grateful for your recent gift of \$1,750.00 to Rise Against Hunger (a 501(c)(3) organization), formerly Stop Hunger Now, received December 14, 2018. Your gift gives us the ability to change lives, create sustainable communities and respond quickly in times of disaster.

There is a strong correlation between school attendance and food availability. If kids can get a warm meal at school, their parents are more likely to send them, recognizing the importance of that nutrition—sometimes their only meal of the day. There used to be major attendance issues at the Hilario Sanchez School in Nicaragua. Students weren't attending school to work in their families' businesses in order to eat. Rise Against Hunger partnered with the North Country Mission of Hope ensure our meals were administered at school to encourage attendance.

Things are changing for those kids in Nicaragua. Attendance rates are nearly 100% and academic performance has increased. These students are learning reading and writing, along with essential skills that will secure their place within society. From surviving to thriving, each student has a chance to be their best selves – thanks to your support. *One warm meal a day is leading to literacy.*

And that's how we'll end hunger: one child, one day at a time, multiplied by dozens of corporate food donors, hundreds of partner agencies, thousands of communities, tens of thousands of meal packaging volunteers around the world and the generosity of supporters like you.

Thank you for rising up with us as we fight to end world hunger by 2030. It is possible.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rod Brooks", is written over a faint background image of a leaf.

Rod Brooks
President and CEO
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This letter serves as your receipt. No goods or services were received in exchange for this donation. Please consult your tax advisor about the deductibility of this contribution. Our tax identification number is 16-1541024. Again, thank you!