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ELLIOT HEALTH SYSTEM KICKS OFF THE HOLIDAYS WITH A TURKEY GIVE-A-WAY FOR STAFF AND A DONATION OF 1,200 TURKEYS TO THE COMMUNITY

MANCHESTER, NH: On Thursday, November 15, 2018, the Annual Turkey Give-a-Way took place on the Elliot Hospital campus. From 6 am to 6 pm, staff, providers, and volunteers lined up in a day of Thanksgiving to receive a turkey as a gift of thanks for sharing their talents with the community, and to give everyone an opportunity to take part in a food drive, clothing drive and a final gesture of giving – donating turkeys locally for the Thanksgiving holiday.

“Due to the generosity of our staff, providers and volunteers, Elliot Health System purchased 4,300 turkeys for this event, and at the end of the day, after first giving to our staff, we donated 1,200 turkeys to the NH Food Bank, Child Health Services, New Horizons, and the Manchester Police Youth League,” explained Greg Baxter, MD, President. “It is a powerful part of our culture, and something we feel strongly about as we approach the season of refection and thanksgiving. We are here every day caring for people and this event allows us to say ‘thank you’ to local charities, like us, who are serving the community and who will use our gifts of food and clothing to reach people in need. I could not be more proud of this tradition and the generosity of our great team at Elliot,” Baxter added.

Nancy Mellitt, Director of Development for the NH Food Bank said, “Thank you Elliot Health System for your generous support of the NH Food Bank again this year. The total pounds of your donation came to 14,018 and we are all very impressed and extremely grateful!”

Elliot was joined by the Manchester Monarchs players who gave away turkeys and delivered turkeys up to nurses on the units. “We are grateful for our partnership with Elliot as our team healthcare sponsor, and excited to give back to the community in this unique way,” said Brian Cheek, CEO of the Monarchs. “I know the guys had a terrific afternoon working side-by-side with the leadership of Elliot, and this is even more meaningful when you consider how many people in our local community will be positively affected with the extraordinary donation of food and clothing.”

Elliot’s simultaneous clothing drive benefitted the Brookside Congregational Church and the food drive was a gift to the NH Food Bank.

About Elliot Health System, a member of SolutioNHealth - Elliot Health System is a non-profit organization serving the healthcare needs of the community since 1890. The largest provider of comprehensive healthcare services in Southern New Hampshire, Elliot Hospital, a 296-bed acute care facility and the first community hospital in the state, serves as the cornerstone of the health system. Elliot is home to Manchester’s designated Regional Trauma Center, Elliot Breast Health Center, Elliot Urgent Care, a Level 3 Newborn Intensive Care Unit, Elliot Medical Group, Elliot Regional Cancer Center, Elliot Senior Health Center, Visiting Nurse Association of Manchester and Southern New Hampshire, 1-Day Surgery Center, Elliot Memory & Mobility Center, NH Arthritis Center, Elliot Retail Pharmacy, Elliot Medical Centers in Bedford, Londonderry, Hooksett, and The Elliot at River’s Edge. For more information about any of Elliot’s services, call 669-5300 or visit www.elliotohospital.org.

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