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## **MADISON CAPITAL MANAGEMENT AND DENVER STUDENTS ANSWER PLEA FOR DONATIONS**

*Canned Food Drive to Benefit Food Bank of the Rockies*

**DENVER, Dec. 9, 2008** – Madison Capital Management, LLC (“Madison”), an alternative investment management firm specializing in niche distressed real estate, natural resources and special situation financial assets, and three Denver area schools are responding to the increased demand for emergency food assistance. Food Bank of the Rockies recently revealed that it is experiencing shortages on food reserves as the nation’s economy continues to struggle.

Madison Capital Management, Grant Beacon Middle School, Greenwood ECE-8 School and Denver School of the Arts will kick off a canned food drive tomorrow that will continue through Friday, Dec. 19. The food drive will benefit Food Bank of the Rockies. Students, parents and members of the community are encouraged to drop off canned food at Grant Beacon Middle School located at 1751 S. Washington St., Greenwood ECE-8 School at 5130 Durham Ct. or Denver School of the Arts at 7111 Montview Blvd. Food is also being collected at Madison Capital Management’s operating headquarters at 5619 DTC Pkwy. Suite 800 in Greenwood Village. Additionally, collection bins will be located at the entrance to Denver School of the Arts’ Concert Hall prior to its Department of Bands winter concerts on Wednesday, Dec. 17 and Thursday, Dec. 18. The performances start at 7 p.m. To launch the canned food drive, Madison Capital Management is donating \$2,500 worth of non-perishable food. Madison, through its affiliates, is also organizing canned food drives in New York, Kansas City, San Francisco and Durango, Colorado.

“We are seeing an unprecedented increase in demand for food assistance this year,” said Food Bank of the Rockies’ Director of Marketing Janie Gianotsos. “Our agencies are reporting many new faces who have never asked for help before. This donation of food from Madison Capital Management and the schools will help make the holidays a little brighter for our neighbors in need and we really appreciate their support.”

“Many food banks are witnessing a drastic increase in the number of people and families requiring food assistance,” said Barbara O’Hare, Madison’s managing director. “Through teaming up with these schools, we hope to help the food bank meet the growing demands of those who need assistance.”

Feeding America, the nation’s largest hunger-relief charity, recently reported that donations to food banks nationally are up approximately 18% but that demand has grown 25%-40%. Food Bank of the Rockies stated last month that it is witnessing an increase in demand of up to 30%. The food bank also reports that more than 11% of Coloradans live in poverty and struggle to meet their basic food needs.

### **ABOUT MADISON CAPITAL MANAGEMENT**

Founded in 1996, Madison Capital Management, LLC (“Madison”) is an alternative investment management firm specializing in real estate, distressed, natural resources and special situation financial assets. The firm has offices in New York, Denver, San Francisco and Kansas City, and through Madison Capital Management (Europe), LLC, in Luxembourg. Utilizing an event-driven and value-oriented investment approach, Madison has invested more than \$925 million in capital and currently manages more than \$550 million in assets. For more information, visit [madisoncap.com](http://madisoncap.com).

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