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## National Association of Letter Carriers Food Drive Kick-Off

(May 3, FORT SMITH, AR) — The National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) Food Drive is set for Saturday, May 12. This is the 14<sup>th</sup> year that Fort Smith and the surrounding area have participated. Last year, the letter carriers collected more than 30,000 pounds of food to help those less fortunate in our communities. The non-perishable food items are left by mailboxes for letter carriers to pick up and deliver to a local food bank or pantry. Fort Smith Schools collected 6,035 pounds of food. Last year, Sutton Elementary School students collected 1,700 pounds of non-perishable food items and earned the opportunity to kick-off the food drive this year.

- Ensuring Children Succeed
- Building Adult Independence
- Providing Basic Needs
- Building Strong Communities

WHO: Students and Charles Shipman, Sutton Elementary Principal; George Burlingston, President of local NALC union; Amy Walden, Letter Carrier representative; Sue Robison, Community Services Clearinghouse

WHAT: NALC Food Drive Kick-Off at Sutton Elementary School Assembly

WHEN: Monday, May 7, 8:15 a.m.

WHERE: Sutton Elementary School  
5001 Kelley Highway

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