

## PROCLAMATION

- Hunger is a serious problem, among our elderly and disadvantaged child and adult populations in Ashland.
- Mayor Stromberg comes together with the mayors of Medford, Central Point, Talent, Phoenix, Jacksonville, Butte Falls, Eagle Point, Shady Cove, Gold Hill and Rogue River, once a year in October to raise money and awareness for ACCESS, the designated Community Action Agency for Jackson County, Oregon.
- The mayors of Jackson County have established their efforts in October as the annual “Mayors United: Helping ACCESS Feed our Community”.
- ACCESS provides numerous programs, through their housing, weatherization, nutrition and senior outreach services, to help low-income and disadvantaged citizens in Jackson County help themselves.
- ACCESS Food Share provides 3.1 million pounds of food annually (59,615 pounds weekly) to over 10,062 families throughout Jackson County through a collaborative network of 25 food pantries staffed by volunteers and more than 20 programs including local emergency shelters and residential feeding programs.
- Last year, ACCESS Food Share Gardens produced more than 61,845 pounds of fresh produce grown and harvested by volunteers.

NOW THEREFORE, the Mayor, on behalf of the citizens of Ashland, hereby proclaim October as:

### Mayors United to Help Fight Hunger Month

and urge the citizens of Ashland to support these efforts to eradicate hunger in our community.

Dated this 16th day of September, 2014

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John Stromberg, Mayor

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Barbara Christensen, City Recorder