



**RHODE ISLAND EGG FARMERS MAKE AN EGG-STRODRINARY  
DONATION OF 7,200 EGGS TO RHODE ISLAND FOOD BANK**  
*Farmers to Donate More Than 12 Million Eggs to Feeding America This Easter*

**(Providence, RI)** March 31, 2010 — Rhode Island egg farmers are giving the Easter Bunny something to hop about as Little Rhody Foods prepares to donate more than 7,200 eggs to Rhode Island Community Food Bank Thursday, April 1 at 1:00 p.m. The donation will provide the Food Bank with valuable protein to help the more than 50,000 Rhode Islanders that seek food assistance each month through the organization's network of emergency food programs.

"Helping neighboring families in need is of the utmost importance to our industry," said Eli Berkowitz of Little Rhody Foods. "We're proud to offer our help and support when our community needs it now more than ever."

For the third year in a row, United Egg Producers and Feeding America are teaming up in the fight against hunger and local egg farmers across America are dropping off truckloads of much needed protein to local food banks just in time for Easter. The partnership here in Rhode Island and throughout the nation will help feed the nearly 49 million men, women and children in America who are at risk of hunger.

"The Rhode Island Community Food Bank salutes Little Rhody Foods for joining together to help address the issue of hunger in our state," said Andrew Schiff, Chief Executive Officer of the Rhode Island Community Food Bank. "This generous donation of eggs will guarantee a great source of protein for families in need – and especially children. We are truly grateful."

In coordination with Feeding America – the nation's leading domestic hunger-relief charity, egg farmers nationwide will be donating more than 12 million eggs to help make sure America's food banks are well stocked with nutrient-dense eggs.

"United Egg Producers' members are dedicated to helping their local communities," said Gene Gregory, president of United Egg Producers. "Our hope is that this donation during the Easter holiday makes a significant difference in the lives of many people who live at risk of hunger."

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**About United Egg Producers**

United Egg Producers (UEP) is the nation's leading trade association for U.S. egg farmers, representing 97 percent of U.S. egg farmers, whose members produce eggs including modern cage production, cage-free, free range, organic and other specialty eggs. UEP is based in Alpharetta, GA. To learn more about the egg industry visit [www.uepcertified.com](http://www.uepcertified.com).

### **About Feeding America**

Feeding America provides low-income individuals and families with the fuel to survive and even thrive. As the nation's leading domestic hunger-relief charity, our network members supply food to more than 37 million Americans each year, including 14 million children and 3 million seniors. Serving the entire United States, more than 200 member food banks support 63,000 agencies that address hunger in all of its forms. For more information on how you can fight hunger in your community and across the country, visit <http://www.feedingamerica.org>. Find us on Facebook at [facebook.com/FeedingAmerica](https://www.facebook.com/FeedingAmerica) or follow our news on Twitter at [twitter.com/FeedingAmerica](https://twitter.com/FeedingAmerica).

### **Little Rhody Foods, Inc.**

Little Rhody Foods, Inc is located in rural Foster, RI and produces various lines of eggs, including their premium line called *Little Rhody Natural Eggs*. They also broadened the business with a new distribution division that distributes many products such as Rhode Island's favorites, *Rhody Fresh Milk* and *Del's Lemonade*. The proud owners are Eli and Ralph Berkowitz and the business has been in existence since August 1955- started by Eli and Ralph's father.