

Press release

The Foodbank Holiday Haulers; Local businesses join together making a difference for those in need this holiday season.

Conceived and organized by Lisa Cullen of Montecito Landscape and Garden Gossip, *The Foodbank Holiday Haulers* are a group of business owners who are donating their time, trucks and manpower to transport donated food to the Foodbank of Santa Barbara County this Holiday Season.

"I asked the Foodbank what help was needed to ensure this year's holiday food drive was a success," Lisa explained. "Organizations and individuals donate food, but someone has to ensure the donations get picked up and delivered to the Foodbank. I thought 'We're in the landscaping business, we have trucks and men, we could help.' Then, I called my vendors to see who else might want to participate, and *Holiday Haulers* was born!"

"This project wouldn't be possible if it weren't for the generosity of these business owners," said Lisa. "They take my calls in the middle of a busy day and make it happen. Most of us have been in business in Santa Barbara County for a very long time and feel strongly about supporting our community and particularly the Foodbank. It's the least we can do."

To have a *Holiday Hauler* pick up your food donation this holiday season, please contact Steve Gonzales at the Foodbank 967.5741 x 103 or call Lisa Cullen of Montecito Landscape at 969-3984.

The Foodbank Holiday Haulers: Chris and Lisa Cullen and Leana Finley-Montecito Landscape, Bob Kingston-All Around Landscape Supply, Derrick Yee-Abe Nursery, George Schnackenberg-Agri-Turf Supplies, Michael Depaola-Emilio's Restaurant, Ken Olsen-McCormix, Ron and Susie Anderson-The Anderson Art Collective and Phil Beaubien-Beaubien Construction.