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**The Compass School Students Promote Hunger Awareness
by Hosting Fundraiser to Support Rhode Island Community Food Bank and
Jonnycake Center of Westerly**

KINGSTON, RI -- In collaboration with The Exeter Job Corps Academy Culinary Program, Maize 'N Manna, Small Axe Productions, and CCRI, The Compass School Discoverer students coordinated a fundraiser, The Hunger Bowl, to benefit The RI Community Food Bank and the Jonnycake Center of Westerly.

The event will take place Wednesday February 10, 2016 at URI Boss Arena One Keaney Rd Kingston, RI 02881 from 6:00- 8:00 p.m. The third and fourth grade students have been studying how citizens can create change through community service and civic action. Handcrafted bowls were donated by Mazin Adam of CCRI as well as Dave Turano and Aliyya Demartino of Small Axe Productions. The Exeter Job Corps Academy Culinary students are preparing and donating macaroni and cheese, pasta, parmesan cheese, salad, bread, and butter for the event. The students have planned a skit, a quiz game, and pamphlets to educate about Hunger in RI as part of the event. Students also worked in committees to advertise, organize a bake sale, and a dance party for the fundraiser.

This fundraiser is one part of The Citizens Create Change Project at The Compass School. Projects including individual students' and whole class, persuasive letters to elected officials, art, and music will be shared and celebrated on Friday, February 12, 2016 at The Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd at 383 Old North Road, Kingston from 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Since 2002, The Compass School in Kingston, RI has been a standout learning community rooted in social responsibility, environmental stewardship and a strong commitment to excellence. The group of parents who founded Compass wished to create a school where students would be challenged, where their individual needs would be integrated into a supportive learning community and where they would develop the critical thinking and problem solving skills that will sustain their academic and social development as they progress through school. For more info, visit: www.compassschool.org.

Exeter Job Corps Academy is a no-cost education and career technical training program administered by the US Department of Labor that helps young people ages 16 through 24 improve the quality of their lives through career technical and academic training.

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