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- Ginger Zee:** Good morning, everybody. We've got to get to the Helping Hands working to ease food insecurity in our country. More than 50 million Americans are now at risk of going hungry, and the pandemic has only made it worse. So this segment sponsored by Wells Fargo -- they have teamed up with Feeding America to help those in need.
- Ginger:** Cars filling bank parking lots in the hot summer sun, but these folks are not here for an ATM.
- Sound:** Honk
- Volunteer:** Come up here, sweetie.
- Ginger:** Instead, they're picking up food for their families.
- Food Bank Recipient:** I have a husband that is a lung cancer survivor so we're pretty much secluded at home; we can't go anywhere. It helps us maintain our household.
- Ginger:** Due in part to the current crisis, 54 million people may face hunger in the U.S., including more than 18 million children. That leaves 1 in 6 Americans forced to rely on food banks. With such high demand, our sponsor Wells Fargo is getting creative.
- Wells Fargo Employee:** We are working with Feeding America to provide our goal of 50 million meals.
- Ginger:** Transforming more than 30 bank branches and corporate building parking lots to serve as drive-up food banks in some of the country's hardest hit communities, hosting 184 events to help during the pandemic.
- Kay Carter, CEO Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina:** From the middle of March through the end of July, we distributed 8 million more pounds of food than we did the prior year during that same block of time.

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Ginger: And on this day, we're in Houston, Texas, where volunteers are handing out fresh vegetables, whole grains, eggs, and milk.

Volunteer: We got eggs for you.

Ginger: Served with empathy and compassion.

**Darryl Montgomery,
Wells Fargo Region
Bank President:** I know what it's like. There were times in my life, too, where I was wondering where the next meal was going to come.

Volunteer: Stay safe!

Ginger: And hope for those who need it most.

Darryl: Just keep the focus. Keep looking ahead.

Ginger: You can learn more about the program and find a distribution event near you by going to Good Morning America Facebook page.