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### **Burlington City Staff, Department Heads “Cansculpt” to Support Local Food Bank**

BURLINGTON, NC— At Holly Hill Mall in Burlington on Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup> from 10am-2pm, Burlington City Department Heads will be found carefully arranging over 2,500 canned food items to participate in Cansculpt Alamance 2016.

Over the past month, Burlington City employees have been collecting specific nonperishable food items that will be used to create a sculpture to compete in Cansculpt Alamance, a creative community food drive with a goal to collect 100,000 cans to the fill the pantry of the Allied Churches Food Bank. On Friday, City Department Heads, representing over 500 employees who donated canned food, will be carefully “can-structing” a sculpture which will represent the roots of the Burlington community.

“Burlington City employees are public servants,” said City Manager Hardin Watkins. “Service is what we are passionate about and participating in Cansculpt Alamance is a great opportunity to serve our community in a different and creative way.”

City of Burlington employees are just one of the many generous community groups coming together to collect food and raise awareness for Allied Churches Food Pantry. Glen Raven, Inc., Plageman Architecture, Holy Comforter Episcopal Church Youth Group, and Alamance County Girl Scout Troops are among some of the tough competition that the City of Burlington will face in the Cansculpt event. Regardless of the competition’s outcome, which will be announced on Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 2pm, the true winners will be the clients of the Allied Churches Food Pantry who will now have access to full shelves.

The public is invited to stop by Holly Hill mall any time between 8:00am and 8:30pm on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> to vote for their favorite can sculpture.

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