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Houston Food Bank Receives \$67,000 Donation from Ferrovial and Webber Amid COVID-19 Crisis

HOUSTON - June 17, 2020 – Ferrovial and its US subsidiaries, Cintra, Ferrovial Construction and Webber, announced that they have donated \$67,000 to the Houston Food Bank amid increased demands due to COVID-19.

“Houston is our home and we are proud to be able to help during this time of need,” said Jose Carlos Esteban, President & CEO of Webber. “This donation will provide more than 200,000 meals to Houston families and is part of more than \$400,000 of food bank donations being made in Texas by Ferrovial and its US subsidiaries.”

The Houston Food Bank, currently the largest Feeding America food bank in the U.S., has had to ramp up distribution to continue to meet the critical need caused by the pandemic and is currently distributing at 150-200% pre-pandemic levels, which is up to one million pounds of food per day. Last year, the organization provided access to 104 million nutritious meals in 18 counties in southeast Texas through our 1,500 community partners which includes food pantries, soup kitchens, social service providers and schools.

“The need for food assistance has increased exponentially during the COVID-19 crisis as more people are finding themselves in difficult situations,” says Brian Greene, President/CEO of Houston Food Bank. “We are lucky to have the support of generous companies like Ferrovial Agroman and Webber, LLC whose gift will help us keep a steady flow of food coming into and distributing out of the warehouse to our partners, helping our communities get through this difficult time.”

This donation is part of a larger fundraising campaign, “Ferrovial Together COVID-19,” created by Ferrovial, to support vulnerable groups and those at risk of exclusion as a result of the current health crisis. The company has made an initial contribution of five million euros and will match donations up to an additional five million euros for a total of 10 million euros.

“This pandemic has impacted so many people on so many different levels, including one of the most important necessities of life, food,” said Albert Molne, CEO of Grand Parkway Infrastructure (GPI). “At GPI, we understand that we are in a unique position to give back and help provide meals to a community in which we work and live in.”

The fund will also be used to make donations to the health administration, hospitals, universities, research and development centers, and NGOs in a series of specific projects. These projects will focus on the acquisition of medical supplies and medical equipment and the investigation of pharmacological solutions or vaccines to combat the effects of the pandemic caused by the COVID-19 virus. In the United States, the company has also donated \$162,000 to Baylor College of Medicine to assist with their COVID-19 research efforts.

In Texas, the company has also donated more than \$400,000 to food assistance programs to help with the increased needs in the communities we serve – including Central Texas Food Bank, North Texas Food Bank and Tarrant Area Food Bank. In the United States, the company is committing \$1.2 million to pandemic recovery efforts and medical research across. These donations are a part of the

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For more information about the “Ferrovial Together COVID-19” fund, please visit <https://www.ferrovial.com/en/how-can-you-collaborate-with-ferrovial-juntos-covid-19-fund/>.

Webber’s corporate headquarters is located in The Woodlands, TX and it has been part of the Houston community for more than 40 years. Ferroviaal and Webber are also partners building the SH 99 Grand Parkway Segments H & I construction project in Northeast Houston.

About Ferroviaal

Ferroviaal is one of the world’s leading infrastructure operators and municipal services companies, committed to developing sustainable solutions. The company has 96,000 employees and operates in over 20 countries. Its main business areas are: Services, Toll Roads, Construction and Airports. For more information, please visit www.ferrovial.com.

About Cintra

With U.S. headquarters in Austin, Texas, Cintra is recognized as a global leader in private transportation infrastructure development, with experience spanning more than 50 years on four continents. Today, its portfolio includes 25 concession projects in nine countries totaling nearly 1,000 miles of managed highways worldwide, representing a total global investment in roadway improvements of over \$24 billion. Cintra manages nearly \$11 billion of infrastructure assets in the United States and nearly \$5 billion of infrastructure assets in Canada. It is a subsidiary of Madrid-based Ferroviaal.

About Ferroviaal Construction

Ferroviaal Construction is the Ferroviaal subsidiary that carries out civil engineering, construction and industrial projects, boasting more than 80 years of international activity in more than 50 countries on five continents. Ferroviaal Construction US is headquartered in Austin, Texas and has managed some of the country’s largest, most complex transportation projects including the SH 99 Grand Parkway H&I project in Houston. For more information, please visit www.ferrovial.com.

About the Houston Food Bank

Houston Food Bank’s mission is to provide food for better lives. Last year we provided access to 104 million nutritious meals in 18 counties in southeast Texas through our 1,500 community partners which includes food pantries, soup kitchens, social service providers and schools. We have a strong focus on healthy foods and fresh produce. In addition to distributing food, we provide services and connections to programs that address the root causes of hunger and are aimed at helping families achieve long-term stability, including nutrition education, job training, health management and help with securing state-funded assistance. We are a resource for individuals and families in times of hardship. We are a solution to food waste, working with grocery stores and growers to rescue food before it reaches landfills. In collaboration with our community, we advocate for policy change and promote dialogue on ways to increase access to food and to improve the lives of those we serve. Houston Food Bank works alongside our partner food banks in Montgomery County, Galveston County, and Brazos Valley. Houston Food Bank is a certified member of Feeding America, the nation’s food bank network, with a four-star rating from Charity Navigator.



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About Webber, LLC

Founded in 1963, Webber is a leading heavy civil and waterworks construction company and material producer dedicated to safely providing intelligent solutions to its clients and community. As a wholly owned subsidiary of Ferrovial S.A., an international company based in Madrid, Spain, Webber has access to a global network of skilled engineers, best-in-class technology and vast resources. Webber is headquartered in Houston, Texas, with regional offices in South, North and Central Texas, as well as Fairfax, Virginia and Atlanta, Georgia. Webber was selected by Engineering News-Record as 2018 Contractor of the Year for the Texas/Louisiana region and has been named a National AGC safety award winner for the past six consecutive years. For more information, please visit www.webber.com.