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MEDIA ADVISORY

Sun-sational Solar Eclipse Watch Party Hosted by Feeding Westchester and Yonkers Partners in Education; Eclipse-themed snacks to be offered

WHAT:

Feeding Westchester and Yonkers Partners in Education (YPIE) will host a "sun-sational" Solar Eclipse Watch Party for the teenagers enrolled in YPIE's after-school learning program. Special "eclipse-themed" healthy snacks, such as Sun Chips and Capri Sun, and solar-eclipse glasses will be offered to the teens through the organization's school pantry program, which Feeding Westchester supports.

More than 1,200 9th through 12th grade students from various Yonkers public high schools participate in the Yonkers Partners in Education program, which prepares students for college success. By the time the next solar eclipse occurs in 2045, the teenagers will be college graduates in their mid-to-late 30s.

WHO:

Feeding Westchester Yonkers Partners in Education (YPIE)

WHEN:

Monday, April 8, 2024 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm 3:25 pm is the best time to view the maximum solar eclipse in Yonkers, according to NASA

WHERE:

Esplanade Park, 100 Main St. Yonkers, PA 10701 (Around the corner from Yonkers Partners in Education (YPIE), 92 Main Street, Yonkers, NY 10707)

Feeding Westchester serves Westchester County, providing food to a hunger-relief network of nearly 300 partners and programs. With a mission to "nourish our neighbors in the fight against hunger," the organization sources and distributes good, nutritious food and other resources to wherever it is needed most.

In fiscal year 2023, Feeding Westchester provided more than 21 million pounds of food, equivalent to more than 17 million meals, through soup kitchens, food pantries, schools, shelters, residential programs, and mobile distributions. That served an average of 220,000 neighbor visits – including visits from children, seniors, veterans, and hardworking families – every month. The nonprofit, a 4-star Charity Navigator organization, is committed to creating a community where all people have access to the food they need today, and the fundamental resources to build a better tomorrow. For more information, visit feedingwestchester.org.

Yonkers Partners in Education (YPIE) partners with students to ensure they are ready for, enroll in, and complete college. YPIE confronts the challenges of a low-income, urban school district by providing families with equitable access to the critical tools and services necessary for college success. In its 17th year, YPIE puts college within reach for thousands of students. For more information, please visit <u>www.ypie.org</u>.