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**ARAB AMERICAN AND CHALDEAN COUNCIL DISTRIBUTES 280
TURKEYS TO REGION'S MOST NEEDY**

TROY, Mich. – Dec. 1, 2014 – The Arab American and Chaldean Council (ACC), a premier nonprofit human service organization serving southeast Michigan, announced it distributed 280 turkeys to those in need through its 2014 Turkey Drive. The organization has been providing turkeys at Thanksgiving to meet the needs of those less fortunate in the tri-county area for more than three decades. Families identified by Alkebu-lan Village in Detroit also received turkeys.

In the past 11 years, the ACC estimates it has given away more than 1,000 turkeys thanks to contributions from businesses, organizations and individuals. This year, the donations were made by Forgotten Harvest and the AFPD, a multi-state trade association representing independent retailers.

“Every year it is important to us that we make sure that those in need are able to have a special Thanksgiving,” said Dr. Haifa Fakhouri, president and CEO of the Arab American and Chaldean Council. “Thanks to the generosity of Forgotten Harvest and the AFPD, 280 individuals and families were able to have a delicious meal for their table.”

About the Arab American and Chaldean Council (ACC)

The Arab American and Chaldean Council (ACC) is the premier nonprofit human service organization providing services to the Middle Eastern and mainstream communities in Southeast Michigan. Founded in 1979, the ACC provides counseling, health care, social services, employment training, job placement, translation, interpretation, WIC and youth services to more than 70,000 clients in metro Detroit. The ACC operates 40 outreach offices in the tri-county area, staffed with bilingual and trilingual professionals to serve the Arab American and Chaldean American populations and offer assistance to the Middle East refugee population. For more information, visit www.myacc.org or call (248) 559-1990.

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