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CHATHAM CHORALE PRESENTS A Broadway Benefit for Food for Kids

Chatham, MA / February 2025 – Music is food for the soul—but it's also true that people cannot live by song alone. So the Chatham Chorale is pitching in to help support Food for Kids, a summer program that combats food insecurity in the months when Cape schools don't provide lunch. The Chorale will offer a musical feast of Broadway tunes, with piano accompaniment by Cape Symphony keyboardist Donald Enos, with concerts on Saturday, March 8, at 2:00 pm and 5:00 pm, and Sunday, March 9, at 2:00 pm, at the Dennis Union Church in Dennis village.

"We're happy to be donating part of the proceeds from these concerts to Food for Kids," says Chorale Music Director Joe Marchio. "Our banquet of song will include medleys from *The Music Man and Les Misérables*, plus songs from *The Lion King, Mary Poppins, Guys and Dolls, Carousel, Man of La Mancha*, and *Wicked*. Their themes deal with redemption, transformation, self-determination, and boundless love—all sentiments that fuel the Food for Kids effort.

Throughout the summer months, Food for Kids (F4K) fills the void when free school meals end, providing free breakfasts, lunches, snacks and books to an average of 500+ children Monday - Friday across the Lower/Outer Cape. More than 130 volunteers contribute to the success of the program, which operates out of the Church of the Holy Spirit in Orleans. Jenn Gale, Executive Director of F4K says, "We are so thankful to the Chatham Chorale for helping solve the growing food insecurity issue among families with children on Cape Cod. Last year we served 46,000 meals to kids over 10 weeks, and hope to reach even more kids this summer."

Chatham Chorale is one of Cape Cod's longest-established choral ensembles, for 53 years presenting an annual concert series with programs ranging from choral masterworks to pops stylings and premieres of new works by regional composers. The Chorale also regularly collaborates with the Cape Symphony—for example, in the annual Holiday Pops concerts—and sings in service to the community.

All tickets are \$40. They can be purchased at www.chathamchorale.org/tickets, by phone (774-212-9333), or at the door the day of the concert. For more information, visit www.chathamchorale.org.

This concert is sponsored in part by the Dennis Arts and Cultural Council. In addition, Chatham Chorale is proud to participate in Mass Cultural Council's Card to Culture program, in partnership with the Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services. Discounted tickets are available to holders of EBT or WIC cards. Please see the Chorale website, www.chathamchorale.org, for details.



Chatham Chorale Music Director Joseph Marchio and accompanist Donald Enos. Photo by Bob Tucker/Focal Point.

