



Turkey Time Takeoff

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What do you do with 48 friends on a clear November day with winds gusting to 12 miles per hour? The Lake Havasu City Pickleball Association (LHCPBA) decided to organize a round robin pickleball competition and raise \$1,090 dollars that were donated to the Havasu Community Food Bank.

Cheri Swettenam, the association organizer for this year's pickleball Food Bank fundraiser, commented "last year our association donated both food and cash to the food bank, but I discovered this year that a simple cash donation would provide much more food due to the food bank's ability to purchase in bulk. So that's what we did."

The Turkey Time Takeoff fundraiser is one of many fundraising activities sponsored by the Lake Havasu City Pickleball Association. Their last big donation was \$100,000 to Lake Havasu City, on March 10, 2020, to assist in the construction of eight new pickleball courts at Dick Samp Memorial Park this past year. Those courts, in addition to the previous four courts constructed by the city several years ago, provide a great location for pickleball lovers in every age and skill group to congregate and have a great time playing pickleball and socializing.

Colleen Mattinson, director of the Havasu Community Food Bank, graciously accepted the



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ciation's donation and added "The donation of the Lake Havasu Pickleball Association will help augment the food requirements for hundreds of families over the next six months".

Pickleball is one of the fastest growing sports activities in the U.S. today.

Just in the past two months the LHCPBA has added around 50 new members and receives new membership applications every day.

As of today, the association has over 300 active members.

To learn more about



local pickleball activities, where to play, and how to sign up as a member of the

LHCPBA, just go to www.LakeHavasuPickleball.com.