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GIRL SCOUTS OF CENTRAL & SOUTHERN NJ CHOSEN AS WHOLE FOODS COMMUNITY GIVING DAY PARTNER

The Girl Scouts of Central & Southern NJ (GSCSNJ) is proud to be chosen as Whole Foods Markets September Community Giving Day Partner. On September 21, 5% of all Whole Foods sales from the Cherry Hill, Marlton, and Princeton locations will be donated to the local Girl Scout Council. The Whole Foods donation to the Girl Scouts will aid in enhancing girl programming related to healthy living, leadership, financial literacy, the outdoors, and more!

The Whole Foods Community Giving Day is dedicated to helping nonprofit organizations in local communities that have limited budgets, but big impact potential. Whole Foods' focus is to support innovative groups that strive to make the world a better place. Girl Scouts' Mission is to build girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place, so the community giving day partnership is a fit for both organizations.

Kimberly Bryson, Chief Mission Officer for Girl Scouts of Central & Southern NJ shares, "GSCSNJ is thrilled to be chosen as Whole Foods' community day recipient for the month of September. Local partners, like this, help us strengthen programming we provide to girls in our communities. We look forward to growing this partnership with future events." GSCSNJ is continuously looking to expand community awareness and presence, and depends on local community organizations to help further the Girl Scout Mission and girl-focused programming opportunities.

"We are very excited to be partnering with the Girl Scouts of Central & Southern NJ for our next 5% day at Whole Foods Market Princeton, Marlton & Cherry Hill locations. Each quarter we select a local non-profit organization to partner with and support by donating 5% of our store sales for the day. On September 21st, our three stores will be working together to support the Girl Scouts - an organization that we feel aligns perfectly with our core values. We encourage our local communities to come out and shop with us on that day to help us support the girls!" said Jill Rizzi, Marketing Team Leader at Whole Foods Market - Princeton.

Please visit Whole Foods in Cherry Hill, Marlton, or Princeton at any time during September 21 to support the Girl Scouts and your local community!

About Girl Scouts of Central & Southern NJ, Inc.

GSCSNJ is the premier organization serving 19,000 girls in over nine counties. GSCSNJ shapes leaders for tomorrow by empowering girls to take on bold challenges, discover their own passions and strengths, act with character, and engage fully in fun, relevant experiences that encourage friendships and build life-long skills. For more information on how to join, volunteer, reconnect or donate to GSCSNJ, call (800) 582-7692 or visit http://www.gscsnj.org/. You can also connect with GSCSNJ on Facebook.com/GSCSNJ or Twitter @GSCSNJ.

About Whole Foods

Founded in 1978 in Austin, Texas, Whole Foods Market (wholefoodsmarket.com, NASDAQ: WFM), is the leading natural and organic food retailer. As America's first national certified organic grocer, Whole Foods Market was named "America's Healthiest Grocery Store" by Health magazine. The company's motto, "Whole Foods, Whole People, Whole Planet" captures its mission to ensure customer satisfaction and health, team member excellence and happiness, enhanced shareholder value, community support and environmental improvement. Thanks to the company's more than 91,000 team members, Whole Foods Market has been ranked as one of the "100 Best Companies to Work For" in America by FORTUNE magazine for 18 consecutive years. In fiscal year 2015, the company had sales of more than \$15.4 billion and currently has more than 435 stores in the United States, Canada and the United Kingdom. For more company news and information, please visit media.wfm.com.