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Wawa and The Wawa Foundation Donate \$15,000 in Total to National Partners at First Ohio Store Opening
\$5,000 grants given to American Red Cross Central & Southern Ohio, Cincinnati Children's Hospital and
Freestore Foodbank

(April 16, 2025) Liberty Township, Ohio – Wawa, Inc. today announced a significant milestone in the Company's history – **the grand opening of its first Wawa store in the state of Ohio!** Located in Butler County at **7198 Cincinnati Dayton Road, Liberty Township, OH**, this location is the first of nine Wawa stores slated to open in Ohio by year's end. During this historic event, Wawa was joined by local officials, heroes and community members for a ribbon-cutting ceremony, parade of Wawa history, and a "Hoagies for Heroes" charitable hoagie building competition recognizing local everyday heroes serving their communities.

To mark the milestone, Wawa and The Wawa Foundation announced the following grants to support the community:

- **\$5,000 to the American Red Cross Central & Southern Ohio** to support the local Sound the Alarm program to purchase supplies for alarm installations during the National Sound the Alarm Campaign
- **\$5,000 to Division of Child Life & Integrative Care at CMN Hospital Partner, Cincinnati Children's** to support inpatient/outpatient Prom this summer!
- **\$5,000 to Freestore Foodbank** in conjunction with Wawa's Lending a Helping Hoagie program where a portion of the Liberty township store's first week of hoagie sales will be donated to fight food insecurity.
- **\$10,000 to Freestore Foodbank** as a grant from The Wawa Foundation Fly Beyond fund to support the School Pantry Program--a vital initiative that provides nutritious food, including fresh produce, directly to students and families experiencing food insecurity, operating across 54 school sites across a 20-county service area.

"We are excited to fly into Ohio and bring our unique combination of fresh food and beverage, convenience and service to this state for the very first time. This historic milestone kicks off our ongoing growth and expansion in Ohio as we continue to build new stores and create new jobs," said Brian Schaller, President of Wawa. "We are also thrilled about extending our commitment to being a good neighbor to Butler County, and our partnerships with the American Red Cross Central & Southern Ohio, Cincinnati Children's Hospital and Freestore Foodbank of are examples of how we will support local causes."

Wawa Expansion in Ohio

By the end of 2025, Wawa expects to have nine stores open in Ohio. In subsequent years, Wawa projects opening five to six stores per year, eventually reaching up to 60 stores in Ohio. To build each store, Wawa will invest over \$7.5 million and employ, on average, 140 contractors and local partners. Once open, each store will employ, on average, 35 Associates, with Wawa expecting to create 2,100 new, long-term jobs as a result of its Ohio expansion.

About Wawa, Inc.

Wawa, Inc., a family and associate owned, privately held company, began in 1803 as an iron foundry in New Jersey. Toward the end of the 19th Century, owner George Wood took an interest in dairy farming and the family began a small processing plant in Wawa, PA in 1902. The milk business was a huge success, due to its quality, cleanliness and "certified" process. As home delivery of milk declined in the early 1960s, Grahame Wood, George's grandson, opened the first Wawa Food Market in 1964 in Pennsylvania as an outlet for dairy products. Today, Wawa is your all day, every day stop for freshly prepared foods, beverages, coffee, fuel services and surcharge-free ATMs. Wawa



stores are located in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, Florida, North Carolina, Alabama, Georgia, Ohio and Washington, D.C., with more than 1,100 locations to date. The stores offer a large fresh foodservice selection, including Wawa brands such as custom prepared hoagies, freshly-brewed coffee, Sizzli hot breakfast sandwiches, hand-crafted specialty beverages, a dinner menu including burgers and an assortment of soups, sides and snacks. Forbes.com Ranks Wawa as #24 of America's Largest Private Companies.

About The Wawa Foundation

The Wawa Foundation is an extension of Wawa's commitment to making the world a better place by fulfilling customers' lives every day. The Wawa Foundation is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation founded by Wawa, Inc. to support the company's charitable giving and philanthropic activities – and ultimately to help build happier, stronger communities. The Wawa Foundation focuses its support on organizations committed to health, hunger and everyday heroes through local, regional and national grants and in-kind donations. Since 2014, Wawa and The Wawa Foundation have donated more than \$182 million to causes supporting health, hunger and the heroes who serve our communities every day.