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ZIA, INC RECEIVES GRANT FROM PHILADELPHIA FOUNDATION – HENRIETTA TOWER WURST MEMORIAL

Zia, Inc is pleased to announce it has been awarded a \$3,000 grant from The Philadelphia Foundation on behalf of the Henrietta Tower Wurst Memorial. This grant will support the organizations ongoing effort to battle food insecurity in the Philadelphia area.

The Henrietta Tower Wurts Memorial is a charitable foundation formed to carry out the wishes of Henrietta Tower Wurts, who passed away in 1933. It supports programs in which a modest grant can play a significant part and which have meaningful goals in relation to the total resources committed to them.

Zia was started in 2015 with the understanding that children with access to adequate food early in life have significantly better outcomes regarding their health, economic status, education, employment, and finances than their food-insecure counterparts.

Zia is excited to be able to use the grant funds from The Henrietta Tower Wurst Memorial to continue purchasing fresh produce each week to include in the meal kits, as well as sandwich supplies, and breakfast items. Founder/President of Zia, Paula M. Jones, stated, "Food prices are soaring, and vulnerable members of society are impacted the most. Zia is proud that our member families can better navigate cuts to vital programs like SNAP, due to our consistent support. Our funding partners make our work possible."

As a 501c3 non-profit organization, Zia is staffed by committed and caring volunteers from the Philadelphia community, who ensure the operation of Zia runs smoothly each week.

For more information or to contact Zia, visit: www.ziafood.org