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KINGS AND TULARE COUNTIES SEEK COMMUNITY SUPPORT TO HELP THE HOMELESS

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Kings and Tulare Counties – The 9th annual Project Homeless Connect (PHC) is right around the corner and event organizers need the community’s support to serve more than 1,000 people who will be seeking services.

“Project Homeless Connect is a nationwide effort to reduce barriers faced by people experiencing homelessness. Donations of time, resources and financial support are what make the event possible. We are looking forward to seeing the community come together to support the event,” said Machael Smith, Executive Director of the Kings/Tulare Homeless Alliance.

PHC is a one-day, one-stop event that provides people experiencing (or at risk of experiencing) homelessness a broad range of services and basic necessities, including housing, employment, health and dental care, mental health care, veterans' and social service benefits, legal services, haircuts, hot meals, and clothing.

Three events will be held simultaneously on Thursday, January 26, 2017 and one in Porterville Friday, January 27, 2017 at the following locations:

Hanford	Hanford Pentecostal Church of God 323 E. Eleventh Street	8:30am – 1:30pm
Tulare	National Guard Armory 649 E. Cross Avenue	8:30am – 1:30pm
Visalia	Visalia Rescue Mission Community Center 741 Northeast 1st Avenue	8:30am – 1:30pm
Porterville	Comision Honorifica Mexicana Americana 466 Putnam Avenue	7:30am-12:30pm

As one of their social impact initiatives, Starbucks has partnered with the Kings/Tulare Project Homeless Connect to help those in need by placing a donation box at each Visalia and Hanford Starbucks locations.

“We invite community members to stop by a Starbucks location in Visalia or Hanford to drop off gloves, blankets, or flashlights for the homeless. “

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