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AIRPORT AND COMMUNITY TO AID **TEAM AVP** FEDERAL EMPLOYEES IMPACTED BY GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN

Avoca, PA (January 17, 2019) - The Wilkes-Barre/Scranton International Airport (AVP) is stepping up for employees affected by the partial shutdown of the Federal Government. **Team AVP** is sponsoring a donation drive to assist employees of the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and Customs and Border Protection (CBP) who work at AVP.

*"The Wilkes-Barre/Scranton International Airport and **Team AVP** are pleased to be able to assist our approximately **100 Team AVP** Federal Employees who have been working under difficult circumstances to ensure safe and secure travel,"* stated Carl R. Beardsley, AVP Executive Director. *"We appreciate the support from all Airport and Tenant Employees, as well as individuals and businesses in our regional community."*

Team AVP will begin accepting donations today beginning at 10:00 AM. Items can be dropped off in specially marked bins labeled "*Team AVP Helping Team AVP*" inside each of the terminal main doorways.

Acceptable donations include:

- Canned goods (soups, stew, chili, chicken, tuna, salmon, spam, vegetables, broths)
- Pasta
- Pasta sauce
- Crackers
- Fruit (canned or dried)
- Granola Bars
- Applesauce
- Meals in a Box (Hamburger Helper, Mac & Cheese, etc.)
- Instant Mashed Potatoes
- Paper Products
- Nuts
- Peanut Butter
- Rice/Quinoa
- Cereal
- Lunch Box Items
- Toiletry Items (Soap, Toothpaste, Shampoo, etc.)
- Diapers (Newborn through 4T)
- Baby Wipes
- Baby Formula
- Beverages (Soda, Water, Iced Tea, etc.)
- Pet Food/Supplies
- Cleaning/Laundry Supplies

All items must be unopened. No other items (cash, gift cards, clothing, frozen/perishable items, etc.) will be accepted.

Federal employees will be notified through their respective agencies as to the times and location where donations can be picked up.