

**A report dated June 8, 2012 from the Association of Women Attorneys (New Orleans) :**

This year the Association for Women Attorneys (New Orleans), International Women's Insolvency & Restructuring Confederation (Louisiana Chapter), Louisiana Association of Black Women Attorneys and Women's Energy Network-Southeast Louisiana teamed up for the New Orleans' area's first Food from the Bar event that benefitted Second Harvest Food Bank which serves the entire South Louisiana region. We started with a kick-off cocktail networking reception at Second Harvest for members of the sponsoring organizations that was underwritten by local firms. There we learned about the work that Second Harvest does and particularly their summer programs to feed children when they are not in school and not receiving subsidized meals. Second Harvest's in-house chefs provided the delicious hors d'oeuvres.

We also used that event to kick off the Food and Funds Challenge which challenged local firms to collect monetary donations as well as canned goods for Second Harvest. The winning firm was to receive a snowball party courtesy of Baker Donelson law firm. The Challenge just concluded.

In total, just under \$9000 was raised for Second Harvest and 848 pounds of food was donated. This will go to their efforts to feed kids in the summer when the need is so great. We are very proud of the success of this first year and hope to continue and grow the Campaign next year!

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