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FORGOTTEN HARVEST TO BENEFIT FROM LEOPOLD AND HIS FICTION'S RETURN TO DETROIT

Joined by The Readies and Electric Playground, Leopold and His Fiction aims to generate funds to help Forgotten Harvest rescue more food to feed Metro Detroit

OAK PARK, Mich. – (December 3, 2009) – In the band's return to Detroit, Leopold and His Fiction will contribute to Forgotten Harvest's Good Neighbor campaign by accepting donations at the door with the admission cost of \$5 at its December 10, 2009 Majestic Theater concert. Further, during the concert a 50/50 raffle will be held, with proceeds from the raffle to benefit Forgotten Harvest. Doors open at 8:00 p.m.

Raised in Detroit, Leopold and His Fiction frontman, Daniel James returns home with Micayla Grace and Jon Sortland bringing their cohesive blend of garage-rock 'n' roll, Grass Valley folk and Western darkness to Detroit as part of the groups national tour. Joining the group in Detroit are The Readies and Electric Playground.

Climbing to #30 on the CMJ charts for *Ain't No Surprise* and making it into the top 20 with their self-titled debut, Leopold and His Fiction have earned praise from NPR, Relix and Big Takeover. Housing honest and transcendent San Francisco rock 'n' roll, while tapping into classic vintage rock'n'roll, this group returns to the studio to record their third album.

The new release brings a number of firsts including the first recording with new line up of **Daniel James (Vocals/Guitar), Micayla Grace (Bass Guitar/Vocals) and Jon Sortland (Drums/Vocals/Organ)**, producer **Thom Monahan (Devendra Banhart, Little Joy, Vetiver)** and the studio experience at The Hanger in Sacramento. During this national tour, Leopold and his Fiction will perform songs off their upcoming album, giving fans a glimpse of what's to come.

In response to the drastic rise in people requiring food assistance in the Metro Detroit area, last month Forgotten Harvest announced its Good Neighbor campaign to increase its ability to rescue fresh, nutritious food for its 155 emergency food providers. Forgotten Harvest is

mobilizing its efforts through the campaign to generate \$1.5 million to continue its mission of relieving hunger in the community by rescuing prepared and perishable food. That amounts to 7.5 million meals for residents in the tri-county area.

Forgotten Harvest is the only mobile food rescue operation in the metropolitan area providing prepared and perishable foods and is ranked the second leading food rescue operation in the nation.

With more than 21 refrigerated trucks, operating six days per week, Forgotten Harvest picks up approximately 70,000 pounds of food per day from more than 400 donors. The food is then delivered to soup kitchens, pantries and shelters throughout Macomb, Oakland and Wayne counties.

About Forgotten Harvest

Forgotten Harvest was formed in 1990 to fight two problems: hunger and waste. Forgotten Harvest “rescued” more than 12.5 million pounds of food last year by collecting surplus prepared and perishable food from more than 400 sources, including grocery stores, fruit and vegetable markets, restaurants, caterers, dairies, farmers, wholesale food distributors and other Health Department-approved sources. This donated food, which would otherwise go to waste, is delivered free-of-charge to 155 emergency food providers in the Metro Detroit area.

Learn more about Forgotten Harvest and how to help drive hunger from our community at www.forgottenharvest.org.