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FAKH finds ideal candidate

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Jamie Sizemore

Jamie Sizemore has been selected as the new executive director of Feeding America, Kentucky's Heartland. An Elizabethtown resident, Edmonson County native and graduate of Western Kentucky University, she begins her latest leadership role Dec. 3 in preparation for the Jan. 2 retirement of Gary Miles as the hunger relief and support organization's current leader.

The food bank's recruitment and selection team picked a talented successor for Miles.

An exceptional leader and proven performer, Sizemore brings to FAKH a toolbox of keen skill and ability to motivate staff, meet customer needs and deliver bottom-line results honed during 32 years of top management experience and community involvement.

A former newspaper publisher and regional group manager with Landmark Community Newspapers, parent company to *The News-Enterprise*, Sizemore has guided large departments and entire newspaper companies in communities in Kentucky, Tennessee and Maryland. Before leaving Landmark, Sizemore recently served as publisher of *The Kentucky Standard* and PLG TV-13 in Bardstown. She also held the roles of advertising manager, new ventures manager, circulation manager and interim publisher of *The News-Enterprise* during 16 years of her career with the company.

Her three-plus years of direct experience as a board member of FAKH further strengthens her institutional and operational knowledge as the ideal successor to build upon a foundation of community and regional food support services built by Miles over his tenure leading the food bank's progression and expansion.

Sizemore served as a past president of the Kentucky Press Association and has been involved actively in board membership and volunteer roles with numerous organizations including United

Way, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, American Heart Association, Relay for Life, Rotary International, Flaget Memorial Hospital Foundation and the Central Kentucky Community Foundation.

"There is no other person more qualified for this role and no other could be as dedicated to our mission to feed the hungry," said FAKH board chairman Tim Hagan in a news release regarding the selection of Sizemore.

We agree.

The 42 Kentucky counties and more than 225 partner agencies providing food deprived and food insecure Kentuckians through the FAKH umbrella will be well served with Sizemore at the helm.

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