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Feeding America, Kentucky's Heartland recently announced a new board of directors appointment.

Sergio Beltran of Warren County will serve the organization for six years, helping to address the needs of those facing hunger across the 42 counties that FAKH serves.

"I am ecstatic to begin my work as a board member with Feeding America, Kentucky's Heartland. Being of Hispanic/Latino heritage, I have seen how difficult it can be for us as a community to accept help from anyone, which is why I hope to earn the trust of those facing hunger so that we can keep helping our communities that don't always get the help that they truly need," Beltran said.

Beltran was born and raised in Los Angeles and lived there until he was 13 years old. Once his family moved to Bowling Green, Sergio attended Warren Central High School, where he excelled in his studies and later attended, what was at that time known as, Bowling Green Technical College. While at BGTC, Beltran worked part time in the adult education department and also worked for a local utility company as he pursued his associates degree. Following graduation, he went on to earn his Bachelor's Degree in Business Management from Western Kentucky University.

Beltran brings with him a deeply rooted appreciation for his community and dedication to help serve minority communities. He is a lending development officer for South Central Bank Inc., headquartered in Glasgow, with 25 banking locations across Kentucky. During his time with South Central Bank, he has used his skills and position to aid underserved populations and is currently work to connect the Latin community to opportunities available through South Central Bank, such as educational programs.

Beltran is an ambassador for the Bowling Green Area Chamber of Commerce and has worked as a volunteer with FAKH in Warren County, assisting with its Mobile Food Pantries to families facing hunger. His addition to the FAKH Board of Directors is a further commitment to his passion — equitably addressing the needs of our neighbors, including hunger. "Sergio will bring a welcomed new perspective, passion and commitment to our critical mission. He is very engaged with the communities he serves and we are so pleased that he has agreed to serve on our board," FAKH Executive Director Jamie Sizemore said.