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Contaminated Flour Causes Harvest Hands to Search for New Supplier

CLARKSTON, GA, March 9, 2025 – Late in the evening of March 8, 2025, Harvest Hands, a nonprofit bakery employing resettled refugees, received calls from seven customers about cases of food poisoning. Upon further investigation, it was discovered that the shipment of flour that they received from their supplier, Pure Harvest, on March 7, 2025, had been contaminated. Customers who consumed baked goods on March 8 may be affected.

If you have consumed any baked goods that have been contaminated and you are dealing with food poisoning, Harvest Hands is encouraging you to reach out to them at 404-367-9042 or via email at hello@harvesthands.co to ensure compensation.

“We are working tirelessly at Harvest Hands to address this issue and ensure that it never happens again. Our sincerest apologies go out to any customers who may have been affected by this problem. Please know that the situation has been addressed and our food is safe to eat,” said Lauren Jones, CEO of Harvest Hands.

After the incident Harvest Hands promptly dropped Pure Harvest as their supplier and is now looking for a new supplier. For the time being they have purchased flour at the local grocery store. All machinery and equipment have been thoroughly sanitized to ensure that the issue is contained and all flour from Pure Harvest has been discarded. Harvest Hands’ leadership insists that their food is now safe to consume.

At Harvest Hands, we work to provide job training and personal development to resettled refugees and have helped over thirty refugees build a new life for themselves. We believe this is a greater calling, motivated by Deuteronomy 10:18, which reads, “He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing” (*English Standard Version Bible*, 2001). With every baked good sold, we are able to provide salaries for our employees, giving them a chance at a second life.

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