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Local Kelly Moore & Emerald Dreams perform concerts to benefit humanity

MANCHESTER — Proceeds of the concerts, called Music For Mankind, are contributed to the United Nations World Food Program and other organizations dedicated to providing relief in disaster areas around the world, as well as other humanitarian initiatives.

With four concerts in the rearview mirror: Manchester's Burr and Burton Academy, the Elley-Long Music Center, Home of the Vermont Youth Orchestra in Colchester, Rusty Parker Memorial Park in Waterbury, and the Lakeside Bandshell in Old Forge, N.Y.; the group travels next to Shea Theatre in Turners Fall, Mass.

The response to the series has been very enthusiastic. Moore has appeared on WCAX TV's (CBS) *Across The Fence* with Judy Simpson, and Vermont Public Radio's *Morning Edition* with Mitch Wertlieb. Music For Mankind has also been spotlighted and featured in such publications as the Burlington Free Press, The Vermont Newsguide, The Rutland Herald, the Manchester Journal and the Northshire Free Press. In addition, Friends of the World Food has spotlighted Music For Mankind on their international Web site and in their newsletters.

On *Morning Edition*, Kelly said, "What I want to

see happen, is that these people who really, really need a lot of help get that help. Get the kind of medical assistance they need; get food, get clothing, get shelter. That becomes this large effort wherein over a period of time we can really raise a lot of money and make a significant contribution here."

"So far," said Moore, "we've fed over 7,800 children. Words simply cannot describe the feeling for me that we can help so many people in such a significant way."

On *Across The Fence*, Kelly said, "The people come to the concerts, and they're very enthusiastic about being able to come together as a community to help other communities around the world, so that we become a global community."

The tour will include stops at Latchis Theatre in Brattleboro, Chandler Music Hall in Randolph, Amazing Things Art Museum in Framingham, Mass., Green Mountain Union High School in Chester, The Bundy Center for the Arts in Waitfield, and other stops in Massachusetts, New York and New Hampshire that are still being finalized.

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Kelly Moore