



Alliance Community Pantry

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POP-UP PANTRY A SUCCESS

The first mobile Pop-Up Pantry day of the summer was a huge success, thanks to the Akron-Canton Foodbank who sponsored the program, and their partner Alliance City Schools, who provided many volunteers to make it work.

For two hours on Wednesday, June 24, starting at 11 a.m., 175 families stopped by Glamorgan Castle to pick up whatever food they needed, and to register they just gave name, address, and how many people in their family. The food was free and available to anyone seeking assistance, though not just those connected to the schools.

The goal of the foodbank's Pop-Up Pantry program is to help fill the food gap for families with school-age children who are missing out on food provided at school during the school year.

Todd Schlereth, program outreach coordinator at the Foodbank, organized the project and has been working with Kristy Woodford, director of student services at Alliance City Schools, and her administrative assistant Beth Palmer to coordinate the project and recruit school volunteers.

The few bags of potatoes and rice, and cans

of green beans not picked up by community members were donated to our Alliance Community Pantry by Todd and picked up by Terra Lashley who manages our warehouse.

The Pop-Up Pantry will be parked at Glamorgan Castle two more times this summer to distribute food from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the fourth Wednesdays of July and August. The dates are July 22 and August 26.



5K STATE FARM GIFT

Jon Schleuder's State Farm Insurance Co. provided local runners and joggers an opportunity to get in a little run and to support the Pantry at the same time last Saturday as they held a 5K run on the Iron Horse Trail. It was a fun morning that took off from First Christian Church and it all paid off.

Along with the support of sponsors, participants who got together for the run paid a fee and donated food, and the Pantry benefited from their efforts.



Jon Schleuder and Jordan Browning from State Farm, seen here, delivered 200 pounds of food to the pantry Friday morning and presented a \$1,050 check to Jim Perone, president of the Pantry's Board of Trustees. We certainly wish to thank all who were involved.



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