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Collinsville Area Community Foundation Presents First Community Impact Grant to Collinsville Food Pantry

Collinsville, Illinois – September 8, 2025 – The Collinsville Area Community Foundation presented the organization's first Community Impact Grant to the Collinsville Food Pantry.

The Community Impact Grant program was initiated to provide financial support to local organizations that enhance the quality of life for residents within Collinsville Community Unit School District #10. The program aims to support impactful projects that might not otherwise be funded through existing resources, foster collaboration between tax-exempt organizations and benefit a broad range of residents.

[Collinsville Area Community Foundation](#) (CACF) sought applications earlier this year between May 1 and July 1. Criteria for the receiving the grant includes:

1. Enhancing Quality of Life: The project must directly improve the quality of life for residents of CUSD10.
2. Lack of Existing Resources: The project must address a need that is not adequately supported by current community resources.
3. Fostering Cooperation: The project must facilitate collaboration between tax-exempt organizations in the community.
4. Broad Community Benefit: The project must demonstrate a wide-reaching impact that benefits a significant portion of the community.

[Collinsville Food Pantry](#) received a \$5,000 grant that will be used to purchase a new commercial refrigerator and shelving for their facility at 2009 Mall Street, Collinsville, Illinois.

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The Collinsville Food Pantry is available to Collinsville residents in need of food. Clients are able to “shop” for their groceries and choose what they need and will use. Special services are provided during holidays as well as emergency food boxes for crisis situations.

The Collinsville Area Community Foundation works to enhance the quality of life for the communities of Collinsville, Maryville, Caseyville, Fairmont City and surrounding areas by promoting impartial, unbiased and ethical philanthropy, with a commitment to inclusiveness and diversity, by bringing together people and resources that identify and address present and emerging school and community needs.

Funding for Community Impact Grants is provided through CACF, a public charitable organization as defined by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. All contributions and gifts are tax deductible. Donations and bequests are accepted from and disbursed to individuals, groups or businesses. To learn more and to make a donation to the Community Impact Grants fund or other CACF initiatives, please visit the Collinsville Area Community Foundation website: <https://collinsvillefoundation.com/>

CACF is hosting a dine-to-donate event on Thursday, October 9, 2025, at Agavero Cantina and Grill located at 604 N Bluff Rd, Collinsville, IL. Proceeds will benefit the Community Impact Grant program.

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Photo Identification R to L: Board Member Joe McGinnis (Director, Collinsville Area Vocational Center), Collinsville Food Pantry President Kristine Cleland, Board Member Dr. Brad Skertich (Superintendent, Collinsville CUSD 10), Board Member Craig Short, Collinsville Food Pantry Director of Services Stacy Jones, CACF Treasurer Dan Moad, Board Member Kent Luebbbers (Mayor of Caseyville), Derek Jackson (City Manager, Collinsville)