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NEWS RELEASE

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AREA FOOD PANTRIES RECEIVE \$41,000 FROM UNITED COOPERATIVE

BEAVER DAM, WIS. – Area food shelves got a holiday gift from United Cooperative. With matching funds from its cooperative partner, Land O'Lakes Foundation, United Cooperative donated \$41,000 to 40 local Wisconsin food pantries to help fill shelves with food this winter season. "While our organization is dedicated to the food industry through the growing, handling and marketing of grain and feeding of cattle, food is not necessarily an abundant resource for families in need," shared David Cramer, United Cooperative President and CEO. "As an agricultural organization that is committed to serving its members, we provide these resources to help area communities serve their residents with food," he added.

The following food pantries received monetary donations from United Cooperative:

Ashippun - Ashippun Bread Basket

Beaver Dam - PAVE (People Against a Violent Environment, Inc.) Food Pantry

Beaver Dam - Dodge County Food Pantry

Belleville - Belleville Food Pantry

Berlin - Berlin Emergency Food Pantry

Baraboo - Baraboo Food Pantry

Cecil - St. Martin Parish Food Pantry

Columbus - Columbus/Fall River Food Pantry

Columbus - Crossroads Columbus Food Pantry

Deerfield - Deerfield Community Center Food Pantry

Denmark (Maribel) - Community Cupboard, Inc.

Fox Lake - Living Hope Food Pantry, Inc.

Gillette – Care Share Food Pantry

Green Bay - Paul's Pantry, Inc.

Hartford - First United Methodist Church Food Pantry

Hillsboro - Good Samaritan Thrift Store Food Pantry

Horicon - Sacred Heart Congregation Food Pantry

Horicon - St. Stephen's Food Pantry

Hortonville – Hortonville Community Food Pantry

Johnson Creek - Johnson Creek Helping Hands Food Pantry

Kewaunee - Lakeshore Community Pantry

Lena - Coleman/Lena/Pound Feed My Sheep Pantry

Manawa – Manawa Area Food Pantry

Mayville - Mayville Food Pantry

Milton - Milton Community Action Food Pantry

Montello – Marquette County Care and Share Food Bank

Oconto Falls - Kingdom Come Food Pantry

Oshkosh - Oshkosh Area Community Pantry

Portage - Portage Food Pantry

Prairie du Sac - Sauk Prairie Area Food Pantry, Inc.

Pulaski - Community Pantry of Pulaski, Inc

Reedsburg - Reedsburg Food Pantry

Reeseville - Gathering Source

Ripon - Traded Treasures Thrift Store and Community Food Pantry

Shawano - SAFPARC (Shawano Area Food Pantry & Resource Center)

Shioction - Loaves & Fishes Community Food Pantry

Tilleda - TULP Food Pantry

Viroqua - Good Shepherd Food Pantry

Watertown - Watertown Food Pantry

Waupun - Waupun Area Food Pantry

ABOUT US:

Formed in 1936, United Cooperative is a full-service cooperative offering feed, grain, agronomy, and energy products and services to Wisconsin farmers and consumers. United Cooperative has locations in Auroraville, Baraboo, Beaver Dam, Coleman, Deerfield, Denmark, Greenville, Gresham, Hartford, Hillsboro, Horicon, Hustisford, Johnson Creek, Kendall, Mayville, Oconto Falls, Ontario, Oshkosh, Pickett, Poynette, Prairie du Sac, Pulaski, Reedsburg, Ripon, Rock Springs, Sauk City, Shawano, South Beaver Dam, Westfield, Wilton, Wonewoc and Wyocena. For more information, visit www.unitedcooperative.com.