

# Thank you!

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Dear Steve,

Thank you for making a positive impact on the lives of hungry neighbors with your in-kind donation of 6 Grab-n-Go coolers (Model HSCN-2) for agencies to build refrigeration and distribution capacity recorded on 7/31/2018. This donation will help to bring nutritious food and hope to neighbors like Bethany.

While waiting for her number to be called at Belvidere Food Pantry, Bethany told me why she was there. Bethany's husband Robert (age 37) lost his job just three days after the family's SNAP benefits were reduced to \$35 per month – meaning their family of five now must be by on the money Bethany receives as a part-time cashier at Meijer. Bethany and Robert are familiar with the inevitable trade-offs that come with trying to decide how and where to spend their limited funds. "We're struggling," she admits. "I either pay heat or rent, or spend \$80 on groceries." Coming to the food pantry, where she can choose from a variety of fresh produce and shelf-stable food, helps take one difficult decision off of Bethany's plate. "I like the bulkier items," she says. "If you have a big family like mine, you can make a lot and maybe have leftovers."

With your help we can continue to provide nutritious food and encouragement to many neighbors like Bethany. Thank you for your vital partnership.

Sincerely,



Julie Yurko  
President & CEO

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