I would like to thank EVERYONE for all the wonderful donations! We are truly overwhelmed by the generosity you've shown. Our DEC families and staff are simply the best.

We have received donations from employees at all levels of our agency, as well as family, friends, vendors, and board members. It has been a joy to receive, organize and issue food to many people in need-truly an extension of our culture of giving back to the people we are honored to support.

We have received hundreds of dry goods, household supplies, and hundreds of dollars in monetary donations! We remain committed to ensuring 100% of these donations go directly to pantry items for people in need in our DEC Community. Staff across all locations are gathering, sending, stocking and purchasing goods - truly a global effort.

Thanks to everyone's generosity, we have helped folks without SNAP benefits, families with limited income, and those who have had recent hardship in their life.

In less than 1 week, from concept to implementation, we have been able to fill 12 requests, and we will continue filling requests next week and throughout the holiday season.

As we move into week 2, we are excited to expand our services: while we will still be taking, filling, and delivering requests to DEC locations, we are also adding the option for families and non-working staff to visit the Pantry in person on **Wednesdays from 10–2** to browse our stock and fill their orders directly. We just ask for you to let us know ahead of time if you plan to come to the pantry so someone will be there to help you.

We are still in need of:

For the upcoming holidays, we could also use:

- \* Canned fruit
- \* Cereal
- \* Syrup
- \* Tea
- \* Toothbrushes
- \* Toothpaste
- \* Deodorant

- \* Stuffing
- \* Boxed potatoes
- \* Canned sweet potatoes
- \* Turkey gravy
- \* Canned pie fillings
- \* Non-refrigerated pie crusts

Thank you again for your continued support and kindness!

I would like to also to give a big thank you to CPTC for allowing us to take over one of their rooms!

