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## **Ohio's Pig Farmers Donate Pork to Mid-Ohio Food Collective**

High-quality protein will help fight hunger for more sustainable communities.

**NEW ALBANY, Ohio** – On behalf of all the state's pork producers, the Ohio Pork Council is again partnering with a community-based nonprofit to further demonstrate how much its members are dedicated to bringing high-quality, nutrient-dense protein to those in need. A \$5,000 donation to the Mid-Ohio Food Collective, which will be used to purchase pork, will serve thousands of people through the organization's Mid-Ohio Kitchen based in the south side of Columbus.

"Mid-Ohio Food Collective's work toward hunger-free, healthier communities is made possible by partnerships to serve our neighbors," said Matt Habash, President, and CEO. "We are grateful to the Ohio Pork Council whose generous support will provide high-quality, Ohio-raised pork for meals distributed by our Mid-Ohio Kitchen team."

While giving back to the state's rural and urban communities is a regular part of the Ohio Pork Council's Pork Power initiative, it's even more critical during uncertain economic times that are affecting so many Ohioans.

"It's just part of our nature as farmers to give back," said Nick Seger, president of the Ohio Pork Council and a producer from Minster, Ohio. "Right now, we know that the need is even greater and we're so pleased to partner with organizations like this that really make a difference such as providing high-quality protein to those who would otherwise not have it."

Under the umbrella of the We Care ethical principles, Ohio pork producers are focusing their efforts on producing wholesome, nutritious, and affordable pork for consumers every day in a way that is highly sustainable. These core values are highlighted and explained much more at <u>www.ohpork.org</u>.

## **About Mid-Ohio Food Collective**

The Grove City-based organization serves 20 counties covering nearly 10,000 square miles. It provides more than 170,000 meals each day for hungry people in central and eastern Ohio. Its Mid-Ohio Kitchen services include a restaurant, community meals, and Kid's Café meal services. Its mission is to co-create sustainable communities where everyone thrives while fighting to end hunger one nourishing meal at a time. Learn more at <a href="https://mofc.org/">https://mofc.org/</a>



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## **About the Ohio Pork Council**

The Ohio Pork Council was established in 1968, beginning with nearly 800 pig farmers dedicated to the task of promoting their own product. Currently, OPC has approximately 2,500 members. Their mission is to serve and benefit all Ohio pork producers. To learn more about the Ohio Pork Council, visit <u>www.OhioPork.org</u> or call 614-882-5887.

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Ohio Pork Council President, Nick Seger (right), a producer from Minster, Ohio, presented a check to Craig Truax, director of corporate partnerships for the Mid-Ohio Food Collective for \$5,000. The organization will use the funds to purchase pork that it will serve to those in need through its Mid-Ohio kitchen in Columbus.