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Pork from Ohio Pig Farmers Donated to Mid-Ohio Food Collective

High-quality protein will help fight hunger in 20-county area.

NEW ALBANY, OHIO – In the 20 counties served by the [Mid-Ohio Food Collective](#) (MOFC), more than 170,000 meals are distributed each day, with the mission of ending hunger one nourishing meal at a time. To support this community-based nonprofit, the Ohio Pork Council, on behalf of Ohio’s pig farmers, has donated \$3,000 in nutritious, high-quality, protein-filled pork as a part of their annual Pork Power program.

“The Ohio Pork Council has been a steady leader in caring for its fellow Ohioans and we are honored and thankful that the membership has once again chosen to donate \$3,000 for helping feed its neighbors,” Craig Traux, Director of Corporate Partnerships at MOFC said. “Pork is a popular and healthy protein, and we are glad to offer that option with these funds.”

This donation demonstrates how Ohio pig farmers continue to give back to communities across their state to help remove barriers for those in need to get the protein they need in their diet. Statistically, the pork purchased will aid the one in four children at risk of hunger and help MOFC’s 680 partner agencies to provide healthy, sustainable food to their clients.

“Giving back is part of what we do as farmers,” said Nick Seger, president of the Ohio Pork Council and producer from Minster, Ohio. “The need is greater than ever, and we recognize the importance of partnering with organizations like the Mid-Ohio Food Collective in these tough economic times.”

Under the We Care ethical principles, Ohio pork producers are focusing their efforts on producing wholesome, nutritious, sustainable, and affordable pork for consumers every day. These core values are highlighted and explained much more at www.ohpork.org.

“It’s an honor on behalf of the Ohio pork producers to support those living in the communities we raise our families in,” said Brad Heimerl, Ohio producer from Licking County.

About Mid-Ohio Food Collective

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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 services include the Mid-Ohio Kitchen, Foodbank, Farm, Farmacy, and Market, providing different ways to learn about and consume food. 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 <https://mofc.org/>

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 www.OhioPork.org or call 614-882-5887.



Brad Heimerl, producer from Johnstown, Ohio (right) presented a check for \$3,000 of pork on behalf of Ohio's pig farmers for the Mid-Ohio Food Collective. The funds will be used to distribute pork throughout the 20-county region the nonprofit serves.

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