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### Ohio Pig Farmers Donate to Mid-Ohio Food Collective

#### High-quality protein helps combat hunger across 20 counties

**NEW ALBANY, OHIO** – In the 20 counties served by the <u>Mid-Ohio Food Collective</u> (MOFC), more than 193,000 meals are distributed each day, supporting their mission to end hunger one nourishing meal at a time while co-creating communities where everyone thrives. In support of this community-based nonprofit, the Ohio Pork Council, on behalf of Ohio's pig farmers, has donated \$5,000 in nutritious, high-quality, protein-filled pork as a part of their annual Pork Power program.

"Protein obviously is one of the harder things for us to come by," said Craig Truax, director of corporate partnerships at MOFC. "This donation is certainly going to help throughout our summer feeding programs with the kitchen team being able to provide much needed protein."

This donation demonstrates the dedication of Ohio pig farmers that continue to give back to communities across their state and beyond. The donation attempts to reach those in need and provide a reliable protein source for their diet. Ohio pig farmers look to aid the 600 partner agencies of the Mid-Ohio Food Collective in providing healthy, sustainable food to their clients.

"We are very happy here at Ohio Pork Council to be able to give back to our community," said Jarred Black, president elect of OPC and pork producer from Canal Winchester, Ohio. "This donation to the Mid-Ohio Food Collective will go a long way to help families get fresh, quality pork in their pantry."

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 <a href="https://www.ohpork.org">www.ohpork.org</a>.

#### About Mid-Ohio Food Collective

The Grove City-based organization serves 20 counties covering nearly 10,000 square miles. It provides more than 193,000 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

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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>

#### 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 <a href="https://www.OhioPork.org">www.OhioPork.org</a> or call 614-882-5887.



Jarred Black, president elect of OPC (left) presented a check for \$5,000 of pork on behalf of Ohio's pig farmers for the Mid-Ohio Food Collective. The funds will be used to distribute pork throughout 20 counties across Ohio.