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Feeding A Region: Foundation for MetroWest Grants \$120,000 to Local Hunger Relief Agencies

September 6, 2016 (Natick, MA) — Fifty-two nonprofit agencies working across 28 cities and towns in the Greater Boston area are stamping out hunger thanks to grants from the Foundation for MetroWest Hunger Relief Fund, totaling nearly \$120,000. This is a 10% growth in grant dollars distributed from 2015.

“Hunger is an issue that exists in our region,” said Judy Salerno, Executive Director of the Foundation for MetroWest. “But where there is need there is also action. Food pantries, community suppers, community farms, and food rescue organizations are all playing a role in helping our neighbors within MetroWest. In supporting a broad array of service agencies, the Foundation, through its generous fund holders, are taking a macro approach to solving a regional crisis.”

Of the 2016 grants, the Foundation doubled its support to organizations who primarily identify as farms, a strategic move that aligns the MetroWest Hunger Relief Fund’s focus with a key recommendation outlined in the [2014 MA Local Food Action Plan](#): increase the production and consumption of Massachusetts-grown foods.

2016 MetroWest Hunger Relief Fund Grantees:

A Place to Turn – Natick
Acton Community Supper and Food Pantry, Inc – Acton
Ashland Emergency Fund/Food Pantry – Ashland
Ashland Youth and Family Services – Ashland
Celebration International Church – Wayland
Cooperative Elder Services, Inc – Lexington
Daily Bread Food Pantry, Inc – Milford
Dedham Food Pantry – Dedham
Gaining Ground, Inc – Concord
Gluten Free Food Bank – Wayland
Grandma’s Pantry – Waltham
Holliston Pantry Shelf – Holliston
HOPE Worldwide, Food Pantry – Framingham
Hudson Community Food Pantry – Hudson
Jewish Family and Children’s Service, Family Table – Waltham
Jewish Family Service of Metrowest – Framingham
Land’s Sake, Inc – Weston
Lexington Interfaith Outreach Food Pantry, Inc – Lexington
Lovin’ Spoonfuls – Boston
Lucy & Joe’s Pantry – Framingham
Marlborough Community Cupboard, United Way of Tri-County – Marlborough
Maynard Food Pantry – Maynard
Medfield Food Cupboard – Medfield
Medway Food Pantry – Medway
Medway Village Food Pantry – Medway
Middlesex Human Service Agency, Inc – Waltham
Millis Ecumenical Food Pantry – Millis
Minuteman Senior Services – Bedford
Mt Cavalry Community Supper – Acton
Natick Service Council – Natick
Needham Community Council – Needham
Needham Community Farm – Needham

Open Table – Concord
Parmenter VNA & Community Care, Inc – Wayland
Project Just Because, Inc, Food Pantry – Hopkinton
Sacred Heart Food Pantry – Waltham
SVdP Food Supplement Program of Lincoln (St. Julia's Food Pantry) – Weston
Springwell, Inc – Waltham
St. Bridget's Food Pantry – Framingham
Stearns Farm CSA – Framingham
Stow Food Pantry – Stow
Sudbury Community Food Pantry – Sudbury
The Salvation Army – Framingham
The Salvation Army – Milford
The Salvation Army – Waltham
United Parishes of Southborough Food Pantry – Southborough
Walpole Community Food Pantry – Walpole
Waltham Fields Community Farm – Waltham
Wellesley Food Pantry – Wellesley
Westborough Food Pantry – Westborough
Westwood Council on Aging – Westwood
Westwood Food Pantry – Westwood

About Foundation for MetroWest

Established in 1995, the Foundation for MetroWest is the only community foundation serving the 33 cities and towns in the region. We promote philanthropy in the region, help donors maximize the impact of their local giving, serve as a resource for local nonprofits and enhance the quality of life for all our residents. Since inception, the Foundation has granted \$11 million to charitable organizations and currently stewards more than \$17 million in charitable assets for current needs and future impact. To learn more, please visit www.foundationformetrowest.org or call 508-647-2260.

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