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NATICK — Foundation for MetroWest announced Friday it has distributed $85,500 in grants from its MetroWest Hunger Relief Fund to 39 food pantries throughout the region. The MetroWest Hunger Relief Fund was recently established to provide more resources to local food pantries and food support organizations.

"Twenty percent of all grants requested through our discretionary grant ogram this year were for food support," said Judy Salerno, executive rector of Foundation for MetroWest, in a press release. "This was a gnificant increase from previous years, and it showcases just how evant the issue of hunger is in our MetroWest region."

The Foundation's English Family Fund has continually provided mmunity leadership on this issue. This year, their efforts were joined other Foundation donors and fundholders in helping local families giving to the MetroWest Hunger Relief Fund.

The Foundation recently awarded $173,500 to 26 MetroWest nonprofit ganizations as part of the 2012 Discretionary Grant Program. This ar, the Foundation distributed about $1 million throughout the gion and more than $7.5 million since its inception in 1995.

The distribution for MetroWest promotes philanthropy in the region, helps ours maximize the impact of their local giving, serves as a resource r local nonprofit organizations, and enhances the quality of life for all our citizens, according to the release. For more information: eFoundationforMetroWest.org.

26 towns whose food pantries received money from the grant are:

- Ashland Community Supper; Ashland Emergency Fund; Open Table, Inc.,
- Concord; Dedham Food Pantry; Jewish Family Services, Framingham;
- United Way of Tri-County; United Way of Framingham; United Way of
- Tri-Co Pearl Street Cafe, Framingham; St. Bridget's Food Pantry, Framingham; Lacy & Joe's Food Pantry, Framingham; Hope
- Worldwide, Framingham; Holliston Pantry Shelf; Project Just Because, Hopkinton; Hudson Community Food Pantry;
- Lexington Interfaith Food Pantry; City of Marlborough Heat & Eat; Open Table, Inc., Maynard; and Maynard Food Pantry.

Also: Medfield Food Cupboard; Medway Food Pantry; Medway Village Food Pantry; Daily Bread Food Pantry, Milford; Salvation Army, Milford; Millis Ecumenical Food Pantry; Natick Service Council, A Place to Turn, Natick; Needham Community Council; United Perishes of Southborough Food Pantry; Stow Food Pantry; Sudbury Community Food Pantry; Walpole Community Food Pantry; Salvation Army, Waltham; Middlesex Human Services Bristol Lodge, Waltham; Grandma's Pantry, Waltham; J.F. & C.S. Family Table, Waltham; Sacred Heart Church Food Pantry, Waltham; Celebration International Food Pantry, Wayland; Wellesley Food Pantry; Westborough Food Pantry; and Westwood Council on Aging.
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The MetroWest Hunger Relief Fund, which is part of the Discretionary Grant Program, is funded by various local donors. In addition, the Fund is supported by the Foundation’s special gift from the Moakley Foundation.

Foundation for MetroWest director of Foundation for MetroWest, in a press release. “This was a significant increase from previous years, and it showcases just how much more funding local organizations need to help ensure the food needs of working families are met. By giving to the MetroWest Hunger Relief Fund, donors maximize the impact of their local giving, serves as a resource for local families that preclude them from participating in the workforce, helping them to take the next step toward self-sufficiency.”

The Foundation awards grants to more than 100 nonprofits annually. As of 2012, the Foundation has awarded over $16 million in grants.

A complete list of recipients is available at metrowestdailynews.com/newsnow/x1353230016/."
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