Claude Moore Charitable Foundation Awards $50,000 to Fuel Hunger Relief in Loudoun

Loudoun Hunger Relief has received a $50,000 grant from the Claude Moore Charitable Foundation to form the base funding for the purchase of a mobile pantry vehicle. The grant will allow Loudoun Hunger Relief to raise the additional funds needed to purchase and outfit a vehicle that will serve people where they are, in their neighborhoods.

J. Hamilton Lambert, CEO of the Claude Moore Charitable Foundation, said “Claude Moore has long been interested in improving the delivery of human services in Loudoun. Loudoun Hunger Relief’s mobile pantry will do just that, providing food, the most basic of human needs, to people where they are.”

Jennifer Montgomery, Executive Director of Loudoun Hunger Relief, said “We are so grateful to the Claude Moore Charitable Foundation for this transformational grant. The substantial base provided by this grant allows us to confidently move forward with this important project. We anticipate completing the funding needed by mid-summer of 2019, and purchasing the vehicle in the fall. We hope to be in operation by this time next year, providing food to people in their own neighborhoods in areas of our county that have the most need. We’ll be putting the brakes on hunger in Loudoun!”

The mobile pantry will travel to areas of high need in Loudoun County, including neighborhoods in Sterling. It is anticipated that an additional 2000 people will be served by the mobile pantry. These are families who, due to lack of transportation, cannot currently come to the Leesburg pantry location.

Loudoun Hunger Relief is currently soliciting donations to complete this project. Approximately $135,000 is needed to purchase and outfit the mobile unit. Please visit www.loudounhunger.org for more information.

About Loudoun Hunger Relief
Loudoun Hunger Relief, Loudoun’s leader in food assistance, has been serving the Loudoun community since 1991. Last year, LHR served 8,000 Loudoun residents. 40% of those served are children and another 13% are senior citizens. LHR truly helps low-income, working families in Loudoun, with 68% of those served employed and another 15% actively seeking employment. Residents in need can visit twice per month and receive enough food to create three meals for three days for each household member. LHR distributed 1.4 million pounds of food last year. For more information, please visit www.loudounhunger.org or call 703-777-5911.

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