



Oak Park River Forest Food Pantry

Penny Beaulieu
The Community Foundation
3700 Sixth Street, Suite 200
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Dear Penny,

For 35 years, Oak Park River Forest Food Pantry has helped community members in need provide food for their families. Though we are a diverse community, we are unified by our desire to always be able to take care of those who depend on us. Your generous grant helps people fulfill their promises to their loved ones through hard times.

Hunger remains a very real problem in this country and in our community, but for 35 years we have been able to provide nutritious food and quality service to those in need because of supporters like you. You made a positive difference in people's lives with your grant of \$10,000 to Oak Park River Forest Food Pantry. You helped clients like Martha, a grandmother who told us:

Hunger affects my grandchildren. It's a hurting feeling when my grandkids are hungry. They are young and innocent and don't understand when there is not enough for them to eat. The pantry is really appreciated.

Your grant means that Martha does not have to explain to her grandchildren that there is no food available for them to eat. We sent Martha home with nearly 40 pounds of food—including fresh vegetables and fruits to keep her grandkids healthy.

Because of funders like you, we are able to provide emergency food to over 1400 families each month. We look forward to a continued relationship. The board of directors, staff and volunteers at Oak Park River Forest Food Pantry—and particularly the people we serve every month—deeply appreciate your generosity.

We are honored that you have chosen to support our mission to *work together as a community to reduce hunger locally.*

Sincerely,

Michele Zurakowski
Executive Director

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