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WATER DISTRIBUTION GRANT KEEPS THOUSANDS SAFE AND COOL DURING HEAT WAVE

(Butler County, OH) Butler County United Way has teamed up with Duke Energy Foundation and Shared Harvest Foodbank to help keep Butler County residents without access to clean water safe during the extreme heat. This effort to get clean water into the hands of those who need it most is thanks to the generosity of a \$2,500 grant awarded to Butler County United Way by Duke Energy Foundation this week. After receiving this grant, Butler County United Way was able to put its mission into action in just a few days, by connecting and mobilizing resources so all can thrive.

Butler County United Way reached out to a longtime Community Partner, Shared Harvest Foodbank, to help purchase the \$2,500 of water, thanks to their relationship with Hamilton's West Side Meijer. The quick response by Meijer as well as Shared Harvest's existing distribution capabilities made it possible to provide **22 locations across Butler County with 9 skids of bottled water. That amounts to 431 cases of water in total, or 17,200 bottles, all to be distributed to thousands in Butler County at risk of heat exposure and dehydration due to the extreme heat.**

Ahead of the weekend, Shared Harvest Foodbank and volunteers across several organizations were able to distribute these 17,200 bottles of water to 22 community locations, including several shelters, food pantries, and county cooling centers. "A bottle of water may seem small to many, but meeting this basic need is vital," said Pam Cottle, President and CEO of Butler County United Way. "We're proud to partner with responsive, community-focused organizations like the Duke Energy Foundation, Shared Harvest Foodbank, and Meijer. Together, we addressed an urgent need quickly and effectively."

Find a full list of water distribution sites on the next page, or at www.bc-unitedway.org/stayconnected.

For more than 100 years, Butler County United Way, in collaboration with more than 50 Community Partners, has been serving communities across Butler County. From strengthening community resilience, to advancing youth opportunity, health, and financial security, Butler County United Way mobilizes communities to action so all can thrive. To learn more, visit www.bc-unitedway.org.

BUTLER COUNTY WATER DISTRIBUTION LOCATIONS

Agency Name	Address	City	Zip	Phone
Fairfield Food Pantry	78 Donald Drive	Fairfield	45014	513-829-9047
Fairfield Lane Library	1485 Corydale Drive	Fairfield	45014	513-858-3238
Open Arms Community Church	1068 Stahlheber Road	Hamilton	45013	513-460-3011
New Life Baptist Mission	415 Henry Street	Hamilton	45011	513-896-9800
Serve City	622 East Avenue	Hamilton	45011	513-737-8900
Family Promise of Butler County	19 South Front Street	Hamilton	45011	513-444-2033
SELF - Workcamp (Garfield Middle School)	250 North Fair Avenue	Hamilton	45011	513-868-9300
Hamilton Lane Library	300 North Third Street	Hamilton	45011	513-894-7156
Lane Community Technology Center	228 Court Street	Hamilton	45011	513-894-7156
MidPointe Library Liberty	6716 Yankee Road	Liberty	45044	513-424-1251
Salvation Army Middletown	1914 First Avenue	Middletown	45042	513-423-9452
Hope House Rescue Mission	1001 Grove Street	Middletown	45044	513-217-5056
Community Building Institute, Middletown	800 Lafayette Avenue	Middletown	45044	513-425-7866
MidPointe Library Middletown	125 South Broad Street	Middletown	45044	513-424-1251
MidPointe Library Monroe	1 Tennessee Avenue	Monroe	45050	513-424-1251
Village Food Pantry, Inc	617-B North Riverside Drive	New Miami	45011	513-907-7481
Talawanda Oxford Pantry & Social Services	5445 College Corner Pike	Oxford	45056	513-523-3851
Oxford Lane Library	441 South Locust Street	Oxford	45056	513-523-7531
MidPointe Library Trenton	200 Edgewood Drive	Trenton	45050	513-424-1251
Faith Community United Methodist Church	8230 Cox Road	West Chester	45069	513-777-9533
Reach Out Lakota	6561 Station Road	West Chester	45069	513-779-7515
MidPointe Library West Chester	9363 Centre Pointe Drive	West Chester	45069	513-424-1251