



# Helping Hands

## NEWSLETTER

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July 2018

The Helping Hands Food Pantry of Roseville exists to improve quality of life for Warren County residents by providing assistance to families in need and by developing programs to strengthen families and individuals.

### Weigh Easier!

In partnership with River Bend Food Bank of Davenport, IA, Helping Hands of Roseville is assisting in closing the meal gap that exists right here in Warren County. When an Emergency Food Program delivery is made or a load of produce, bread, and ordered food items is picked up from River Bend, the weight of the food is measured by River Bend and recorded as part of Helping Hand's contribution to making a difference in local family's food insecurity issues. Until recently all other food donations, be it personal or contributions from Midwest Food Bank of Peoria, were not credited as helping to close the meal gap. As of June 1, 2018, Helping Hands is weighing all additional food donations and reporting the total to River Bend as part of the requested monthly statistics in an effort to show that more of the need in Warren County is being met than past statistics showed. While individual donations are easily measured on the small scale provided by RFBFB, the trailer-load that is picked up at Peoria's Midwest Food Bank each month poses more of a challenge to weigh! Thankfully, Farmer's Grain Company of Roseville is kindly permitting the trailer to be weighed on their industrial scales.

*Thank you, Farmers Grain Company, for making this new task a breeze!*



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### Helping Hands of Roseville Beneficiary of Warren-Henderson County Farm Bureau Young Leaders Produce Project

As a part of the Illinois Farm Bureau's Young Leaders Program, Jacob and Gayle Baker have planted a garden with the goal of donating the produce to local food pantries in the Warren-Henderson county area. Joined by other local Young Leaders, the group hope to have a bounty of green beans, tomatoes, potatoes, red and green pepper, as well as sweet corn to share. The weight of each delivery is recorded for the sake of a challenge issued by the Sangamon County Young Leaders to grow an acre garden and give the most food (by weight) to local pantries.

Helping Hands received a portion of the first harvest and additional pickings since. Needless to say, the home-grown produce is much appreciated!



Best Wishes, Young Leaders, for a Bountiful Harvest this year!

### Recognition of Donors

Berwick Baptist Church  
Twomey Foundation  
United Methodist Church  
Marie Livermore Memorial  
Raymond and Diana Houston

... w/more to follow.

### NUMBERS FOR JUNE

168 FAMILIES  
607 INDIVIDUALS,  
INCLUDING  
238 CHILDREN

2018 Officers: *President Cheryl Britt, Vice President Grace McCrery, Secretary Deb Johnston, Treasurer Amy Corman*

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