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Hanover Township Food Pantry unveils new walk in freezer, refrigerator

The construction of a walk-in refrigerator and freezer unit was recently completed at the Hanover Township Food Pantry located at the Astor Avenue Community Center, 7431 Astor Avenue in Hanover Park.

With this addition, more meats and other fresh food items are now available to Township residents who utilize the pantry. Previously, many perishable food items would have to be transferred to other pantries that had freezer space available, making it a rare commodity at the pantry. In FY15, April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015, the Food Pantry served 9,763 families.

“This has been something we have wanted to have at the Food Pantry for a long time,” said McGuire. “This will allow the pantry to regularly stock needed items like milk, meats and other fresh, healthy food options for our residents.”

The Northern Illinois Food Bank awarded the Township a \$9,000 grant to partially cover the roughly \$20,000 cost of the project. The Hanover Township Foundation contributed \$7,945 with the Township covering the remaining \$2,945.

Later this year the Township will look for grants to replace the 7 year old shopping carts that have experienced heavy usage. An addition of an extra bagging lane is also in the works to improve efficiency during peak times.

The Food Pantry is open Monday from 1:00PM – 3:00PM; Tuesday from 1:00PM – 6:00PM; Wednesday through Friday from 11:00AM – 3:00PM and on Saturday 9:00AM – 11:30AM.

Hanover Township serves over 101,000 residents in portions of the Cook County communities of Streamwood, Elgin, Bartlett, Hanover Park, Hoffman Estates and Schaumburg.

For more information on the Food Pantry, or other Welfare Services programs, please call (630) 540-9085.

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