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**MAYORS FOR MEALS FOOD COLLECTION EVENT HELD  
IN FLORISSANT WAS A HUGE SUCCESS ON SATURDAY, MAY 9<sup>th</sup>**



Mayor Lowery is pleased to announce that the county-wide **Mayors For Meals** food collection event that was held on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at Bangert Park was a huge success for a great cause.

Over 20 barrels of food and other items were collected that will help alleviate food insecurity by providing local pantries which includes TEAM that is based in our community with a variety of food to meet their community's needs.

Mayor Lowery would like to thank all the residents that came out to support the Mayors For Meals food collection event. Mayor Lowery would also like to thank all the volunteers that came out to help make the event a success and that included members of the Florissant City, Council, St. Louis County Councilwoman from District 4 Rochelle Walton-Gray, Chief Tim Fagan, Judge Mary E. Dorsey, President of the Valley of Flowers organization Laurie Lowery, members of the Florissant CERT team, and some of our residents.

Also, a special thank you to Bob Mannecke owner of Mann Meats, Inc. for donating hamburgers and corn and Derick Wellman owner of Amore Pizza for donating sandwiches for all of the volunteers.

The St. Louis Area Foodbank is the region's largest nonprofit food distributor. They partner with more than 500 organizations and pantries to feed almost 400,000 people in their 26-county service territory, including St. Louis County. With recent strains from COVID-19, the Foodbank has seen an increase in need by up to 30%. For more information visit their website at [www.stlfoodbank.org](http://www.stlfoodbank.org).