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WELLAND WELCOMES SECOND ANONYMOUS GROCERY DONATION

Welland, ON - The community will receive another truckload of groceries from an anonymous donor on **Friday, June 12, beginning at 1:00 p.m.** at Welland's Market Square. This is the second time that Welland has received food support from an anonymous donor. The donation will assist residents with keeping food on the table while Niagara is in a state of emergency.

Volunteers from the City of Welland and Open Arms Mission of Welland will be on-site to help distribute the groceries. Items will be handed out while maintaining physical distancing to ensure safety, and all volunteers will wear personal protective equipment. Organizers are asking that people who have face coverings to wear them when picking up the food. All are welcome to come to Market Square to receive free groceries while quantities last.

Generosity has become a trend in Niagara since COVID-19 and has touched all twelve municipalities. Other anonymous food donations of this quantity have occurred across the region. The food donations come in a time of need, with many families, seniors, and vulnerable people struggling with financial concerns while under Ontario's state of emergency.

"We're grateful to accept another generous donation," said Mayor Frank Campion. "COVID-19 has affected our most vulnerable communities and created hurdles in what we once took for granted before these difficult times."

WHERE: Welland Market Square, 70 Young Street, WellandWHEN: 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. (until quantities last)WHO: All residents are welcome to the FREE grocery pick-up

For more information on City of Welland's response to COVID-19, visit welland.ca. For more information on community support and organizations that assist with food security, visit incommunities.ca.

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