



March 23, 2023

Peoria Township Relief,

Thank you for the opportunity to apply for the grant to help support our urgent needs in the Peoria area. Peoria Friendship House services are changing during these extraordinary times. Our food pantry services increased to provide additional assistance to families affected by the food desert in the North Valley of Peoria, IL 61603. Each day brings significant challenges and pressures on nonprofit organizations' operations and leadership. Yet, we also know that nonprofit organizations rise to challenges daily with ingenuity, compassion, resilience, fortitude, and integrity. We are honored to receive the Peoria Township Relief funds and grateful for agencies dedicated to our community.

- Food distribution to over 16,993 families and 84,985 meals and counting
- Delivered over 311 Meals to residents in Peoria, IL, in need of assistance and counting

Together, we have established a solid foundation for progress and growth. With your support, we will continue our journey of enabling families to grow and prosper in Central Illinois. The result is more families with nutritional food choices, more people living healthier lives, more families emerging from poverty, and more people feeling EMPOWERED!

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Marcellus Sommerville".

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