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MEALS OF JOY AWARDED GRANT FROM ICONIC CAMPBELL'S COMPANY

Campbell's Foundation Community Impact Awards Support Nonprofits Nationwide

Litchfield Park, Ariz.-- Meals of Joy, a nonprofit focused on providing delicious and ready to eat meals to seniors, was awarded a 20 thousand dollar grant from the Campbell's Company and Campbell's Foundation.

The grants are distributed as part of the Foundation's commitment to support initiatives that promote food access, encourage healthy living and strengthen neighborhoods. The latest round of funding brings Campbell's fiscal 2025 total grantmaking to more than \$2.6 million.

"Campbell's is committed to making a positive impact in the communities we call home," said Kate Barrett, President of The Campbell's Foundation. "The Community Impact Grants program gives our employees a voice in supporting organizations that make a meaningful impact in the communities where they live and work."

The Community Impact Grants program identifies organizations best positioned to drive change, nominated by employees at each Campbell's location. This year, the grants will support organizations in 30 Campbell's communities, providing each recipient with \$20,000. The recipients include organizations focused on emergency food, nutrition education, community gardens, physical activity initiatives and neighborhood revitalization.

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2-2-2-2 Meals of Joy Receives Campbell's Grant

Meals of Joy is projected to deliver more than 40,000 meals this fiscal year, serving 14 cities in the West Valley area. Additional cities are projected to be added over the next fiscal year. Last year, Meals of Joy was fortunate to acquire Chef Kevin Barko of Heritage Cooks Catering, which has elevated the meals to ensure not only top quality but also delicious food. The menu for the meals selection changes each month and meals are prepared fresh, every day. Meals of Joy is grateful to have more than 75 volunteers that deliver the meals Monday thru Friday. Grants, donations, and annual events help provide the meals for the seniors in need.

"We are proud to deliver thousands of meals every week to some of the most vulnerable in our community. The generosity of the Campbell's Foundation grant will help us continue our mission to bring meals to seniors across the West Valley. No senior should have to worry where their next meal is coming from, or be forced to choose between eating or buying their medication. We are here to help those who have given so much," said Meals of Joy Founder Larry Cervarich.

Find menus and more at mealsofjoy.org Click <u>here</u> for the Campbell's Company news release.