

Columbus Vegetable Oils Continues Giving Back to Community with \$50,000 Donation to Greater Chicago Food Depository

Manufacturer of Butcher Boy cooking oils presented a check at the Food Depository's Fill a Bag, Fill a Bus event

DES PLAINES, ILLINOIS, UNITED STATES, May 26, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ --<u>Columbus Vegetable Oils</u> (CVO), a family-run business that produces the popular Butcher Boy cooking oils, was thrilled to present a \$50,000 check to the Greater Chicago Food Depository during its recent Fill a Bag, Fill a Bus event. The generous donation continues CVO's mission to give back to the city of Chicago and its charitable organizations.

Sponsored by CW26, the Greater Chicago Food Depository, Chicago Transit Authority, Jewel-Osco and Columbus Vegetable Oils, Fill a Bag, Fill a Bus took place at Jewel-Osco stores in Oak Lawn and River Forest from May 17-18. In addition to the check presentation, CVO contributed Butcher Boy swag for the bags of food items that were loaded onto CTA buses and delivered to the Greater Chicago Food Depository.

Launched in the basement of its West Side Chicago family grocery store more than 85 years ago, Columbus



Vegetable Oils has always been a very philanthropic company.

"Chicagoans have played a big part in our growth by buying our products at retail establishments throughout the city, so we find it absolutely necessary to keep giving back," said CVO President Paulette Gagliardo. "As a local, private Chicago company, our sizable cash donation to the Greater Chicago Food Depository sends a message to other local businesses that it is so important to help those in need in one's community."

Since one in five Chicago households experience food insecurity (the set of circumstances that prevent access to food), CVO felt a responsibility to not only participate in Fill a Bag, Fill a Bus, but also contribute to the food depository. And because every \$1 can help provide the equivalent of three meals thanks to the Food Depository's wholesale purchasing power, CVO's \$50,000 donation provided the



equivalent of 150,000 meals to those in need.

"As a family business, we feel committed to helping to alleviate hunger in the community by taking some pressure off of single parents, families and people who are having trouble making ends meet," added Gagliardo.

To donate to the Greater Chicago Food Depository, visit chicagosfoodbank.org.

For more info on Butcher Boy and CVO's other brands like Sorrento Olive Oil, Natures Secret and even Soaper's Choice, an ingredients supply division for the personal care and soap making industry, visit <u>https://www.cvoils.com/</u> and <u>soaperschoice.com</u>.

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