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### **Wellspring on Wheels Mobile Food Pantry 1<sup>st</sup> Organization to Serve the Food Insecure in New Haven during COVID-19 Crisis.**

Fort Wayne & New Haven, Ind. – [Wellspring Interfaith](#) and the [Adams Township Trustee](#) have partnered to relieve food insecurity for New Haven residents in the parking lot of the Trustee's office on April 14<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 am to 1:00pm.

Wellspring responded quickly to COVID-19. An increased need at the [Wellspring Food Bank](#) was noticed in early March and by month's end, numbers increased 172%. A transition from a volunteer-supported to staff-supported Food Bank was implemented immediately to reduce virus exposure to volunteers and clients alike. Food Bank hours were also expanded as well as the way food is distributed. Curbside service has been implemented indefinitely at the Food Bank and all [Wellspring on Wheels](#) ('WOW' – mobile food pantries) are drive-thrus. The increase in WOW clients increased by 136% from February to March, and currently 51% more food is being distributed than the previous month.

In response to COVID-19, Wellspring has also created additional pop-up WOW sites like the one at the Adams Township Trustee Office tomorrow. Pop-ups are announced weekly on Wellspring's social media streams including Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

Wellspring will be distributing food at the Adams Township Trustee Office parking lot on April 14<sup>th</sup> from 11:00am to 1:00pm with traffic control provided by the New Haven Fire Department at 1125 Hartzell St, New Haven, IN, 46774.

[Wellspring Interfaith](#) is a non-profit that has served at-risk populations in the inner city and beyond for over 51 years. By mobilizing its mission, Wellspring can expand its reach thereby helping more people in need.

The [Adams Township Trustee Office](#) provides prompt, necessary relief to eligible residents of Adams Township and is dedicated to the important role of providing temporary emergency assistance to those whose personal efforts have not enabled them to meet life's challenges on their own.

