



Giving Thanks & Giving Back

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This week marks the culmination of a canned food drive to benefit those in need this holiday season.

On Tuesday, Flaherty & Collins Properties donated over 2,600 canned foods to the Mozel Sanders Foundation for the organization's annual Thanksgiving Day campaign, in conjunction with a \$3,000 donation from Vision Communities, Inc., a not-for-profit organization.

Many of Flaherty & Collins managed properties participated in the food drive, and those not located in the Indianapolis area will be working with local food pantries throughout the holiday season and into 2014 to ensure that families in need receive food and non-perishable items.

These properties include: Dunedin, Millennium Place (Muncie), Vision 1505, Steeplechase at Parkview, The Reserve at Dawson's Creek, Westwood Crossing, Westlake, Amber Woods, Black Bear Creek, Island Club, and Greenfield Crossing. Several communities are also participating in Toys for Tots, which is organized by the US Marine Corps. Westlake collected over 1,600 canned goods alone.

F&C President Jerry Collins and Vice President of Assets and Management Jill Meals-Herron were on-hand Tuesday to help hand over the company's donation to the foundation.

"We feel it is important to support our communities and the greater Indianapolis community," said Meals-Herron. "We're so proud of the effort of our team to give back to the communities we live and work in."

In 2012, the foundation served more than 40,000 hot meals to families in need on Thanksgiving Day, in addition to 400,000 pounds of staple goods and groceries. During the Annual Thanksgiving Day campaign,

Mozel Sanders solicits help from roughly 3,000 volunteers and 45 satellite sites, which make the mission of providing food and goods to families in need possible.

In addition, nearly 50 Flaherty & Collins employees volunteered Tuesday evening at Amber Woods, located on the far east side of Indianapolis, to help distribute over 900 bags of groceries to those in need. The distribution was in conjunction with Hazel Dell Christian Church in Carmel, which donated the goods and assisted in delivery.

For more information on Mozell Sanders Foundation, go to <http://mozelsanders.org/>

For more information on Toys for Tots, go to <http://www.toysfortots.org/>
