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FAYETTE COUNTY'S SANFORD SCHMID PLEDGES \$50,000 TO SAFP



Pictured is Kathy Quinlan (President of the Board of directors), Sanford Schmid, & Cathy Chaloupka of Rural Texas Tourism, LLC and Marketing Coordinator to SAFP)

When there's a need, the art of giving runs deep in the heart of Fayette County and the expansion of the Schulenburg Area Food Pantry at 1107 Hillje Avenue is no exception. More space than the present 324 sq. ft. is needed to accommodate an increase of clients being served. Close to 2,000 sq. ft. (at a cost of \$190,000.00) will be added in the very near future to service those in need in the 78956 zip code area. Sanford Schmid of La Grange has generously pledged \$50,000 towards this one-time expansion bringing the total pledges to \$110,000.00. Pictured with Sanford is Kathy Quinlan, President of the Board of Directors of Schulenburg Area Food Pantry, and Cathy Chaloupka of Rural Texas Tourism, LLC who is serving also as Marketing Coordinator to this endeavor.

In 2010 60,904 pounds of food was distributed by SAFP with 11,369 pounds donated. Additionally, over 1,503 households were served with 3,723 people, and 39 new applications to the program. Referrals come by self, word of mouth, ministers, social workers, apartment managers, law enforcement, clinics, and doctors. Over 94 of these households have one or more working members who were once considered “middle-class”. Over 200 of these clients are 21 years of age or under. Last year’s 20+ unpaid volunteers and board members to SAFP clocked up 2,056 hours--a value of \$43,958.00. SAFP is opened on Thursday mornings.

Pledge information (or if any organization would like a program given on the Schulenburg Area Food Pantry’s Capital Campaign) may be obtained by going to www.schulenburgfoodpantry.com, e-mail schulenburgareafoodpantry@cvctx.com contacting any board member, or calling Cathy Chaloupka at 979-561-6667.

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