

Lansdale Warehouse Company assists MontCo Anti-Hunger Network with food distribution

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Lansdale Warehouse Company Maintenance Assistant, Steve Wheeler (left), looks on as Transportation Manager, Dean Mengel (right), sizes up pallet placement onto MontCo Anti-Hunger Network's cargo van.

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LANSDALE -- For the last eight weeks, MontCo Anti-Hunger Network and Lansdale Warehouse Company have teamed up to deliver 22,224 Farmers to Families food boxes to community food pantries across Montgomery County.

That's more than 167 tons of locally sourced, fresh produce and dairy products for residents struggling with hunger, many of whom lost jobs as a result of COVID-19. The boxes were paid for by the USDA Coronavirus Food Assistance Program, a federal government effort in support of food producers and distributors whose sales were disrupted by the virus pandemic.

"This was an ambitious project for us," said MAHN Executive Director, Paula Schafer. "Partnering with Lansdale Warehouse Company guaranteed we'd be able to pull it off."

Collaboration with MAHN is the most recent of many civic initiatives the company has taken on over the years, said Paul Delp, owner and president of Lansdale Warehouse Company. “We have two interests, what’s good for business and what’s good for the community. Regardless of which we’re serving, the goal is to add as much value as we can,” he said.

According to Schafer, the company has added value at every turn of her project, proving their tagline, “Customer Driven Logistics.” “The team here has gone above and beyond several times to keep this project on track,” she said. “Like the days the temp agency couldn’t find us a driver and workers from the warehouse stepped up to make our deliveries. Lansdale Warehouse has been just as committed to getting these food boxes to hungry people as I am.”

Lansdale Warehouse Company is a family owned and operated logistics provider with five locations in Hatfield and Montgomery Townships and Souderton. They specialize in full-service warehousing, packing and fulfillment, freight transport, and offer facilities for onsite manufacturing.

Mont Co Anti-Hunger Network provides resources and support to 43 community food pantries. Some of their other COVID 19 response work includes: direct to community distribution of 22,500 Farmers to Families food boxes in May and June at Willow Grove Park Mall and The Greater Philadelphia Expo Center; network wide delivery of more than 30 tons of COVID 19 prompted food donations; and stopgap food distribution assistance for pantries needing to temporarily close for virus cleaning. You can learn more about MontCo Anti-Hunger Network at www.montcoantihunger.org.