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Fairfield County Foundation and Destination Downtown Lancaster Announce Date for 2021 250 Plates Fundraising Event

LANCASTER, Ohio --The Fairfield County Foundation and Destination Downtown Lancaster are pleased to announce that the 250 Plates Community Meal to benefit Fairfield County Food Pantries and Keller Market House will continue, despite having to cancel the event this year due to the pandemic. The event will take place on Sunday, September 26, 2021 and will once again be located in the unique setting of Bank Alley in downtown Lancaster.

Because the event cannot be held this year, the Foundation Board of Trustees approved a grant of \$5,000 to the 250 Plates Special Project Fund. Community members are encouraged to make a donation in lieu of attending an event this year. 100% of the proceeds will be donated to local food pantries and the Keller Market House. Donations to the 250 Plates Special Project Fund can be made through the Fairfield County Foundation website: fairfieldcf.fcsuite.com/erp/donate or by mailing a check to the Foundation offices.

"The first 250 Plates event was an incredible success, generating more than \$10,000 that was donated to local food pantries and Keller Market House," said Amy Eyman, Executive Director of the Fairfield County Foundation. "The local organizations that provide nutritious and life sustaining food to our community need our help now more than ever. We hope the community will come together and support these organizations again this year."

"Downtown Lancaster provided the perfect setting for our community meal and we are excited to bring this special event back in 2021," said Amanda Everitt, Executive Director of Destination Downtown Lancaster. "We look forward to bringing everyone together again to connect with new and old friends, enjoy delicious locally sourced and prepared foods, and raise funds to support these vital local organizations."

Sponsorships are available. Please contact Amy Eyman at aeyman@fairfieldcountyfoundation.org for more information. For general information, visit www.destinationdowntownlancaster.com.

About the Fairfield County Foundation:

The Fairfield County Foundation is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit that along with its supporters, helps to sustain and enhance the quality of life and economic viability in our community. Its scholarship program helps to sustain opportunities for local youth to achieve their academic goals. The Foundation was formed in 1989 and grants today continue to support the arts, children's programs, health and wellness projects, community development, academics, and more. For more information about the Foundation, please call 740-654-8451 or visit www.fairfieldcountyfoundation.org.

About Destination Downtown Lancaster:

Destination Downtown Lancaster is a non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization that focuses on the revitalization of Downtown Lancaster. We believe that revitalization comes through fostering a sense of community, attracting and retaining businesses, and planning for the future. Our mission is to enhance downtown's business climate while promoting and preserving our historic identity as a center of cultural activity. For more information, visit www.destinationdowntownlancaster.com.

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