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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 take place on Sunday, September 26, 2021. The event will once again be located in the unique setting of Bank Alley in downtown Lancaster, where guests will enjoy an inspired menu of locally-sourced food prepared by the chefs of participating downtown restaurants, a cash bar and live music.

“We are thrilled to be able to bring 250 Plates back to the Fairfield County community,” said Barry and Jennifer Rhonemus, 250 Plates event chairs. “The opportunity to gather as a community again is something we all have been looking forward to for some time. We will work diligently to ensure all necessary safety precautions are in place and a lovely evening can be enjoyed by all.”

“The first 250 Plates event generated 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 save the date to come together and support these wonderful organizations again this fall.”

“Downtown Lancaster provided the perfect setting for our first 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 reconnect, enjoy delicious locally-sourced and prepared foods, and raise funds to support these vital local organizations.”

Tickets will go on sale in early June. Sponsorships are available. Please contact Sherry Orlando at [sherryorlando@remax.net](mailto:sherryorlando@remax.net) for more information about sponsorships.

### *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](http://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](http://www.destinationdowntownlancaster.com).*

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