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**Northern Illinois Food Bank** was recently awarded a \$10,000 grant from **Community Foundation of the Fox River Valley**. The grant will allow Northern Illinois Food Bank to purchase a powered pallet jack, and add outdoor electrical outlets that will keep refrigerated trucks charged during cold winter months.

Northern Illinois Food Bank relies on its fleet of 22 trucks to pick up food donations and deliver food to its network of food pantries, soup kitchens, and child and senior feeding programs in 13 counties.

“Our network relies on us for dependable transportation to get food to our hungry neighbors. Severe winter temperatures can make it challenging for trucks to start. This generous donation will allow the food bank better maintain our fleet,” said Hester Bury, director of corporate and foundation giving, Northern Illinois Food Bank.

Northern Illinois Food Bank, a member of Feeding America, is a nonprofit organization that feeds more than 60,000 hungry neighbors each week through a network of 700 food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters and youth and senior feeding programs. To learn how to volunteer, donate or get involved, visit [www.SolveHungerToday.org](http://www.SolveHungerToday.org).

For more information on the Community Foundation, please see [www.CommunityFoundationFRV.org](http://www.CommunityFoundationFRV.org).