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Summit County Animal Control named recipient of Million Meals campaign for pets in need

SUMMIT COUNTY, OHIO—County Executive Shapiro is excited to announce Summit County Animal Control has been chosen as one of the recipients of the Million Meals campaign from Greater Good Charities and Bally Bet! These two organizations collaborated to donate one million meals to pets in need over the course of the 2024 NFL football season.

At the start of last year's football season, the Million Meals campaign connected football fans and pet lovers with social media posts featuring dog content, pet contests, special features, and more. Roughly 50-100 pet meals were donated per interaction! Plus, thanks to a special partnership with the Cleveland Browns, Bally Bet donated 1,000 pet meals for every point scored by the team.

While the Cleveland Browns may not have been on top of the world, the pet parents who attend our monthly Community Pet Food Pantry will surely be after receiving this donation! In total, this collaboration provided over 70,000 pounds of pet food to Animal Control.

"We are so grateful for the generosity of these organizations," said Executive Shapiro. "Thanks to Greater Good Charities commitment to supporting animal welfare through this exciting collaboration and the GOODS program, we are able to provide pet food to Summit County families in need through our Community Pet Food Pantry each month."

The next Community Pet Food Pantry takes place on Tuesday, June 24, from 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. at Summit County Animal Control (250 Opportunity Pkwy, Akron). Residents are encouraged to take Pier Drive to W. Bartges Street to line up for the drive-thru event, no sooner than 4:30 p.m.

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