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St. Matthew's House receives grant from the Collier Community Foundation™ for \$30,000

Naples, FL — May 25, 2022 — St. Matthew's House CEO Steve Brooder is pleased to announce that St. Matthew's House has received a \$30,000 grant from the Collier Community Foundation. These funds will help St. Matthew's House buy food for distribution to families experiencing food insecurity.

“St. Matthew's House is grateful to the Collier Community Foundation for this greatly needed support for our food distribution program. First there was the pandemic impacting vulnerable Southwest Florida families. Now, in addition to the pandemic impacts that are still affecting individuals and families, they are struggling with inflation. We currently are distributing 20,000 to 25,000 bags of groceries a month to families experiencing food insecurity.”

The Collier Community Foundation awards annual grants through a competitive application and review process. Selected organizations receive grant dollars from the *Community Impact Fund*. This Fund is made up of donors who believe in the Community Foundation's ability to identify and grant funds to provide support for the community's most current needs.

ABOUT ST. MATTHEW'S HOUSE

For over 34 years, St. Matthew's House has been providing faith-based, innovative solutions to help those experiencing homelessness, hunger, substance abuse, and poverty in Southwest Florida. A 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization, St. Matthew's House has developed a unique social enterprise model that covers administrative expenses so that 100 percent of every donation goes directly to programs and services to help those in need to realize fuller and more productive lives. Visit online at www.stmatthewshouse.org or call (239) 774-0500.

ABOUT COLLIER COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

The Community Foundation of Collier County, DBA Collier Community Foundation™, is a tax-exempt, public, charitable organization established in 1985 to increase and focus on local private philanthropy. Today, the Collier Community Foundation manages more than 850 funds, works with hundreds of nonprofits, holds \$275 million in assets, and has distributed over \$255 million in grants to nonprofit organizations, community programs, and scholarships. The Collier Community Foundation is one of Florida's fastest-growing community foundations. Informed giving. Powerful results.™ Learn more at colliercf.org or call 239-649-5000.

Photo caption: Lorna McLain, St. Matthew's House director of food assistance, prepares for a food distribution day. St. Matthew's House is distributing 20,000-25,000 bags of groceries monthly to families experiencing food insecurity.

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