

Single Socks awards \$32,255 in anti-hunger grants

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SILVER CITY — Single Socks, a Silver City non-profit thrift store, announced that it has awarded \$32,255 in grants to seven Grant County anti-hunger organizations and projects.

Since its inception in 2009, Single Socks has given away over \$264,000 to local food pantries, soup kitchens, schools, and other food distribution organizations that serve families in need.

Single Socks co-founder Jeff Goin says that many of the grants awarded in the fall grant cycle will contribute to both the quality and quantity of food distributed by area organizations.

“For the first time since we opened Single Socks, after funding the entire amounts of the proposals we approved, we still had some funds left over ” Goin said. “Our board of directors elected to disburse the remaining funds to enhance the quality of food distributed at these different outlets. Quite frankly, these upgrades were possible only because of the generosity of our volunteers, customers, and donors.”

According to Single Socks, the following organizations were awarded grants:

Grant County Community Food Pantry (coordinated by The Volunteer Center) -- \$6,070 for purchase of food for distribution to families in need.

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Parish of Silver City -- \$4,553 for purchase of food for distribution to families.

Gila/Cliff Mobile Food Pantry (coordinated by The Volunteer Center) -- \$1,562 for purchase of food for distribution to families.

The Silver City Gospel Mission -- \$6,070 to improve the quality and quantity of food served at their soup kitchen and distributed through the Gospel Mission’s food box program.

Mining District Food Pantry -- (coordinated by The Volunteer Center) -- \$3,264 for purchase of food for distribution to families.

Aldo Leopold High and Middle Schools -- \$10,736 to assist students from qualifying households with the purchase of nutritious lunches.