Our Community Impact 2021: Leprino Foods Company Greeley

To support the communities where we live and work, the Leprino Foods Company’s Greeley employees and the Leprino Foods Company Foundation (LFCF) annually partner with local nonprofit and other organizations to provide philanthropic donations and volunteer support. Since 2015, the LFCF has contributed over $3M to the communities where we operate.

Our Greeley employees volunteer their time to help improve livelihoods, foster empowerment, and build resilient communities. Volunteering is employee-driven, and activities support four focus areas of Nutrition, Education, Fitness, and Local Needs. In Greeley, we are proud to be involved with local and regional organizations that celebrate the many diverse cultures, communities and lifestyles that comprise our community like youth, families, veterans, and elderly.

As our newest plant, our Greeley facility began operations in 2011 with its third and final phase opening in 2017. With approximately 550 employees, the plant is a significant employer and community partner in Weld County. During 2021, Greeley plant employees and the LFCF supported 9 regional organizations with donations and grants of nearly $55,000.

With a focus on education, in 2021 plant volunteers, through their Community Impact Team (CIT), coordinated a $30,000 LFCF grant for Greeley/Weld County School District 6. The monies were used to help build and maintain a nature walking trail around Dos Rios Elementary School for teaching students about nature and welcoming the local community to enjoy the property. Additional donations of $17,500 helped Greeley/Weld County School District 6 build a playground at a local elementary school and provided teachers in District 6 with the books and science kits they needed to teach approximately 60 to 80 students. To start the school year off right, employees also held a school supply drive and collected over $3,200 worth of school supplies for distribution to local schools.

Greeley has a thriving agricultural community and Greeley employees helped encourage local youth in pursuing their interest in raising dairy cattle through donations, totaling $3,500, to the Weld County 4-H Dairy Cattle Advisory and the Weld County 4-H Leaders Council. The donations helped with expenses and awards at an annual dairy cattle show and helped feed hundreds who attended the free Family Day BBQ on the last day of the Weld County 4-H fair.

Helping local women transition back into the workforce was the focus of a donation to United Way of Weld County. Monies helped with clothing, resume support, and childcare. An additional donation to Norman Hutchison American Legion was provided for their annual golf tournament, which raises much-needed funds for providing services and resources for veterans in Northern Colorado. These two donations together were nearly $4,000. Finally, the Greeley plant donated over 40 pairs of gently used boots to the Guadalupe Center.

Like many communities, especially during the pandemic, food insecurity has been an issue in Weld County. Over half the students qualify for free or reduced-price school meals. The Greeley Plant and its employees helped address the nutrition needs of its neighbors through monetary donations and product donations. In 2021, the plant donated approximately 300 lbs. of cheese to the Weld Food Bank.

To further help the community during the pandemic, in 2021 the plant held a community vaccine clinic to assist with the health and welfare of citizens. Approximately 2,500 people attended the clinic.

We are proud of the partnerships we’ve built and organizations we have been able to support in our community. We look forward to continuing to make a positive impact on our community and the people in it.
GREELEY, COLORADO
2021 COMMUNITY IMPACT

KEEPING OUR COMMUNITIES HEALTHY
We held a community COVID-19 vaccine clinic to assist with the health and welfare of citizens. Approximately 2,500 people attended the clinic.

300 LBS. OF CHEESE DONATED TO WELD FOOD BANK

SETTING KIDS UP FOR SUCCESS
Plant employees collected more than $3,200 worth of school supplies that were distributed to local schools and Weld County Foster Parents community closet.

SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOLS
Our CIT helped secured Foundation grants to support Greeley/Weld County School District 6

$30,000 grant for a walking trail at Del Rios Elementary School
$15,000 grant for a playground at a local school

$54,858 FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION

9 COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS SUPPORTED BY THE GREELEY PLANT + LEPRINO FOODS COMPANY FOUNDATION