

## Our Community Impact 2021: Leprino Foods Company Remus

To support the communities where we live and work, the Leprino Foods Company's Remus 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 Remus 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 Remus, 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.

Leprino Foods began operating the Remus facility in 1987. The site of a former creamery, the Remus plant has been in continuous operation since 1917. With approximately 140 employees, Remus is very dedicated to giving back to the community. During 2021, the Remus Plant and the LFCF supported seven regional organizations with donations and grants of \$28,000.

A \$5,000 LFCF grant was provided to **Angels of Action**, a non-profit organization serving children and families in Mecosta and Osceola Counties. Angels of Action partners with schools, churches, community agencies and local businesses to equip children and families to thrive.

In support of our focus on nutrition, the plant employees, through their Community Impact Team (CIT), helped secure a \$4,000 Foundation grant to the **Barryton Area Mobile Food Pantry** to help with food insecurity in the region. Seven truckloads of food—totaling 70,000 pounds—was distributed to more than 100 families experiencing food insecurity in Mecosta, Osceola, Clare and Isabella counties. A \$2,000 LFCF grant to the **Mecosta County Senior Center Board of Directors, Inc.** funded a dishwasher heat booster and provided compensation to carriers for Meals on Wheels. The plant also donated 96 lbs. of cheese to this organization.

Local needs were supported with the help of a \$5,000 LFCF grant to the **Northern Michigan Mobile Child Advocacy Center**, victims of child abuse received comfort from canine advocate Trigger, a golden retriever trained to assist young people participating in court proceedings. A LFCF grant of \$4,461 to the **Wheatland Township Downtown Development Authority** funded two commercial refrigerator units, a new pavilion and community center.

Honoring veterans is important to the plant and the team helped secure a Foundation grant of \$4,539 for the **Mid-Michigan Honor Flight** which funded transportation for local veterans to Washington D.C., where they could visit the war memorials that recognized their sacrifices.

The Remus plant made two contributions totaling \$3,000 to support **Our Brothers Keeper**, an overnight shelter for homeless individuals and families in Big Rapids. Thanks to our support and the support of other groups, the shelter is now able stay open year-round, without interruption, to provide vital services to individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

We are proud of the partnerships we've built and the 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.

# REMUS, MICHIGAN

## 2021 COMMUNITY IMPACT



### FIGHTING FOOD INSECURITY



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### PROVIDING CANINE COMFORT FOR CHILDREN

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**96 LBS.**  
CHEESE DONATED

**\$28,000**  
FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION

**7**

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS SUPPORTED BY THE REMUS  
PLANT + LEPRINO FOODS COMPANY FOUNDATION