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## Milestone Reached: 'Attorneys Against Hunger' Surpasses \$2 Million Mark Since Program's Inception

Pittsburgh Legal Community Donates Money to Help Fight Hunger; This Year's Campaign Raises \$102,225 for 17 Local Agencies

**PITTSBURGH –** Far too many people battle hunger every day in Western Pennsylvania, and now – amid the Coronavirus crisis – the problem is greater than ever.

The attorneys, judges and law students of the Pittsburgh region have once again united to help those in need. The Allegheny County Bar Foundation's annual Attorneys Against Hunger Campaign, which concluded April 23, raised \$102,225 for 17 local hunger relief agencies. With the recent campaign in the books, AAH has now raised more than \$2 million for the fight against hunger since the program was established in 1993.

"Hunger is a very real problem in Allegheny County. An astounding number of our friends and neighbors stress every day about where they will get their next meal. And now, amid a global pandemic and a shaken economy, the already significant hunger problem in our community has grown exponentially," said ACBF President Jennifer Andrade. "I am beyond proud of the lawyers, judges, law students and firms that make up the Pittsburgh Legal Community who have raised more than \$2 million to help those in need. While our work is far from complete, this is guite an accomplishment."

The campaign began in November, and funds were collected from area attorneys and law firms through a variety of appeals, fundraising events and challenge grants.

Established in 1993, Attorneys Against Hunger is an ACBF program with the mission to unite the Pittsburgh legal community in the fight against hunger. Thanks to generous underwriting from lead sponsor Steidl & Steinberg and supporting sponsors Gleason & Associates and Judge Raymond A. Novak – contributions that cover 100 percent of the program's administrative costs – every dollar donated to the campaign is distributed to local anti-hunger agencies. Additional support comes from a challenge grant generously provided by Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, the Rita M. McGinley Foundation and the McGinley family members of the bar.

"We'd like to offer an enormous 'Thank You' to all of the donors and sponsors who made this possible not only this year, but through the history of the campaign," said Andrade.

Specific hunger relief organizations receiving AAH grants this year include:

Allies for Health and Wellbeing

Downtown Pittsburgh Ministerium Walk-In Ministry – First Lutheran

Downtown Pittsburgh Ministerium – First Presbyterian

Downtown Pittsburgh Ministerium – Smithfield United Methodist

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Downtown Pittsburgh Ministerium – St. Mary of Mercy

Downtown Pittsburgh Ministerium – Trinity Episcopal Cathedral

East End Cooperative Ministry

Focus on Renewal

Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank

Hunger Services – Urban League of Greater Pittsburgh

The Intersection, Inc.

Jubilee Soup Kitchen

Just Harvest

North Hills Community Outreach

Rainbow Kitchen

South Hills Interfaith Ministries

Squirrel Hill Community Food Pantry

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## About the ACBF

About the ACBF Incorporated in 1980, the Allegheny County Bar Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, is the heart of Pittsburgh's legal community. An affiliate of the Allegheny County Bar Association, the Foundation operates a variety of charitable, educational, pro bono and public service activities..