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Nine members of REALTOR® Association of Southern Kentucky assisted with the food distribution at Warren County Synergy Center in May. Front (left to right): Erin Kaptur, Katie Tabor. Back (left to right): Terry Tindle, Angel Hill, Christine Morgan, Angi Cline, Steve Cline, David Doran, Jim DeMaio

**REALTOR® ASSOCIATION OF
SOUTHERN KENTUCKY WRAPS UP
ITS 9TH ANNUAL REALTORS® HOPE
FOR HUNGER EVENT**

The REALTOR® Association of Southern Kentucky joined forces again this year with schools and HOTEL INC to bring focus to the hunger-relief efforts in Allen, Butler, Edmonson, Logan, Muhlenberg, Simpson and Warren Counties. This year, the REALTORS® and their business partners raised more than \$45,000 to feed children and families who are struggling with food insecurity. Nearly 128,000 servings of food were delivered to local schools on Thursday, May 28th to restock their food pantries. A check totaling over \$8,500 was also presented to HOTEL INC in support of its Manna Mart food bank.

Due to the COVID-19 impact on businesses and the health of the communities, the REALTOR® Association of Southern Kentucky, in partnership with Feeding America Kentucky's Heartland, adjusted this year's event to a sort and delivery event only. In year's past, the REALTORS® and business partner members camped out and slept in tents over a three-day event collecting monetary and item donations, while bringing awareness to homelessness and food insecurities.

"The REALTORS® Hope for Hunger event is a special one for our organization; we have seen in the past years how the generous donations from our community has helped those who are homeless or struggling with other basic needs." said Angi Cline, 2020 REALTORS® Community Service Chair. "This year, we have worked with community partners and Family Resource Coordinators to make sure the needs are identified of children and families in our counties and then those needs met."

"We are extremely thankful to the REALTORS® Association of Southern Kentucky for choosing to support our food pantry each year through REALTORS® Hope for Hunger. The funding will be used to purchase food items we need throughout the summer months" said Rhondell Miller, Executive Director of HOTEL INC.

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About REALTOR® Association of Southern Kentucky

The REALTOR® Association of Southern Kentucky represents over 600 REALTOR® members, involved in all aspects of real estate in Allen, Butler, Edmonson, Logan, Muhlenberg, Simpson and Warren Counties. Over 100 affiliated businesses also hold membership in the Association. The Association is governed by a Board of Directors and served by volunteer committees. The dedication of the volunteers who have contributed countless hours of service attribute to the success of the association. An association staff of four is given the responsibility of the operations and implementation of the programs, products, and services provided to its members.

About Feeding America, Kentucky's Heartland

Feeding America, Kentucky's Heartland is a regional food bank which provides assistance to more than 174,500 people in 42 Kentucky counties each year. Through support from individuals and organizations, such as United Way, FAKH distributes over 14 million pounds of food to more than 225 food pantries, soup kitchens, and shelters. FAKH also sponsors various hunger relief programs including the Backpack™ Program and Senior Box (CSFP) Program. FAKH's main office and warehouses are located on Peterson Drive in Elizabethtown, Kentucky. For more information or to volunteer, sponsor a fundraiser or a food drive, or to make a secure online donation to Feeding America, Kentucky's Heartland, visit their website at: www.feedingamericaky.org