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### **First Relief Fund Grant Goes to Non-Food Pantry**

**Greencastle, IN – September 18, 2009** – The Putnam County Community Foundation is pleased to announce the first grant from the Putnam County Relief Fund has been awarded to the St. Andrews Church Non-Food Pantry. The \$1,500.00 grant will be used to purchase non-food items such as paper products, cleaning supplies and personal hygiene items for needy families in Putnam County.

The Putnam County relief fund was established by an anonymous donor so the community could respond to urgent human needs in these tough economic times or times of community distress. If you are interested in making a gift to the relief fund, please contact the Community Foundation office at 765-653-4978. To date, more than \$5.7 million in grants and scholarships have been awarded through the Community Foundation to enrich the quality of life and strengthen community for this and future generations.

The St. Andrews Church Non-Food pantry is new this year and serves nearly 150 families each month, so far. They give items that are typically found in kitchens and bathrooms and are not covered by food-stamps. Distribution day is the last Saturday of each month. “The Non-Food pantry has really grown in just a short amount of time and really fills a void for the neediest families in our community,” says Eric Wolfe, Director of Community Development for the Putnam County Community Foundation. “We are please we can support the pantry with the first Relief Fund grant.”

“St. Andrews is grateful to the Community Foundation and its donors for helping provide much needed supplies to families over the next few months,” said Mary Mountz, Non-Food Pantry Coordinator. “We hope others in the community will also consider support so we can meet all of the need going forward.”

*The Putnam County Community Foundation is a nonprofit public charity established in 1985 to administer endowments, award grants and provide leadership, enriching the quality of life and strengthening community in Putnam County. The Community Foundation administers more than 180 funds for donors, supporting a variety of charitable purposes. To discover all the ways you might make a difference, contact the Community Foundation at [www.pcfoundation.org](http://www.pcfoundation.org) or 765.653.4978.*

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