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Speare Spirit of Giving

Speare Memorial Hospital employees lend a helping hand

PLYMOUTH, N.H. --- Another holiday season, our community in need and Speare Memorial Hospital employees stepped up indeed! One Speare employee food drive to benefit the Plymouth Area Community Closet.

Three weeks of giving.

\$160 in cash donations.

139 cans of fruits, vegetables, etc.

Plus, 117 cans of soup.

87 pasta items.

80 tubes of tooth paste.

59 dessert/baking items

19 toothbrushes.

700 pounds of food/items collected in total.

115% of this year's goal!

58 families have more food on the table.

This year's food drive was organized by the Speare Employee Activities Committee and spearheaded by the finance department's Kathleen Berieau, Jodie Breen-Waddington, Cynthia Fisher, Judy Karkheck. They set a goal of 610 pounds of goods collect based on two pounds for every full-time equivalent employee. "We had such a good response," notes Jodie referencing the fact the collection goal was exceeded by 90 pounds.



In addition to the food drive this year, Speare employees also donated items to Toys for Tots, the New Hampshire Humane Society and gifts to Meals-on-Wheels recipients coordinated by the Plymouth Regional Senior Center.

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