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## AURORA GATEWAY ROTARY EXPANDS ITS "LITTLE FREE PANTRY" TO SECOND LOCATION

**Aurora, Colorado – February 13, 2020** | Aurora Gateway Rotary is expanding its *Little Free Pantry* program to include the Hoffman Heights area on the west side of Aurora Fire Station 2, 12600 Hoffman Blvd.

The *Little Free Pantry* is a small enclosure that contains nonperishable food and seasonal items which can be accessed by anyone, anytime. The motto for the *Little Free Pantry* is "take what you need, give what you can" says Sandy Rothman, Special Projects Coordinator of Aurora Gateway Rotary. Rothman goes on to explain that there is a great need in Hoffman Heights to provide the basic necessities to those that are homeless or struggling or those without reasonable access to food, personal hygiene products, even school supplies for children. "Our first pantry at the Martin Luther King Library has been incredibly successful providing a great service to the area around Colfax Avenue. We know that Hoffman Heights' residents have the same needs." says Rothman. The first pantry was launched in June of 2018.

According to Aurora Gateway Rotary President Gerry Orlovsky, "The planning of the *Little Free Pantry* project started about 3 years ago and since the initial launch of our MLK location in 2018, we have provided thousands of pounds of food to those most in need." Orlovsky continues to state, "The project has been funded by grants from the Rotary district, our local Rotary club and private donations and in cooperation with the City of Aurora."

Aurora Gateway Rotary will be able to provide media outlets sound bites, images and professional video upon request. Direct inquiries to Mike Leikam at 303.570.7926 or [mikel@iismultimedia.com](mailto:mikel@iismultimedia.com)

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