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## AURORA GATEWAY ROTARY LAUNCHES INNOVATIVE PROJECT TO ASSIST THOSE IN NEED

**Aurora, Colorado – June 4, 2018** | Aurora Gateway Rotary is launching a new program in the City of Aurora to help provide nonperishable food items to those in need of help. The Little Free Food Pantry, located on the west side of Martin Luther King Library, is a small enclosure that contains food and seasonal items which can be accessed by anyone, anytime.

The motto for the Little Free Food Pantry is "take what you need, give what you can" according to Sandy Rothman, Special Projects Coordinator of Aurora Gateway Rotary. Rothman goes on to explain that there is a great need in this area to provide basic necessities to those that are homeless or struggling or those without reasonable access to food, personal hygiene products, even school supplies for children. "We have dedicated significant resources in the form of grants from the Rotary district, our local Rotary club and private donations to fund the project" says Rothman. The project is scheduled to expand to additional locations throughout Aurora over the next 12-months.

According to Aurora Gateway Rotary President Mike Leikam ,"This project started about a year ago and we are proud to announce the date of our ribbon cutting ceremony." June 29<sup>th</sup> will officially launch the project with a formal program aimed at introducing the Little Free Food Pantry project to local residents, city officials and other guests says Leikam. The event will take place on the West side of Martin Luther King Library, 9898 E. Colfax Avenue, starting at 4:00 P.M. Everyone is invited.

For media unable to attend, images and professional video will be provided of the ribbon cutting event to qualified outlets by request. Direct inquiries to Mike Leikam at 303.570.7926 or president@auroragatewayrotary.org

Aurora Gateway Rotary Club's mission is to provide service to others and to make our world and our community a better place.