



Staff Photo

Despite working a full-time, rotating schedule, Gina Behrensprung has delivered meals regularly for 10 years. She says it brings her joy.

Rotating work schedule? Not a problem!

Many people mistakenly believe that to deliver meals, they must have a regular schedule with wide-open chunks of time. Not so! Gina Behrensprung has been delivering meals for 10 years and during that time, she has worked a full-time rotating schedule with the Manitowoc Sheriff's Department. Gina has a couple of days off each week, but the days change, so she logs into our online scheduler and signs-up for routes that fit her schedule.

"It's nice to get out of the house on my day off, it gives me something to

look forward to," she said.

Gina tries to sign up for the same route each week, so she can get to know the people she delivers to. She says clients who might not say much at first, will often become chattier after they get used to seeing her at their door.

"I call delivering meals a selfish, selfless act. It's good for others, but it's also good for me. It brings me joy," she says.

Gina encourages others to volunteer. "If you have the time, give it a try. It's a wonderful thing," she said.

Short-term or long-term needs, FMOW can help

Cindy Eckhardt called Fresh Meals On Wheels early last year to inquire about getting meals while she recovered from a broken foot and torn ligaments. She lived alone and wouldn't be able to put weight on her foot for two months, but she wasn't sure if her situation qualified for meal delivery.

We assured Cindy that we could help. While our average meal recipient is in her 80s and might get meals for several years, we have served people ages 6 to 106 and

provide meals for as little as two weeks.

"I am so grateful for Fresh Meals On Wheels. The food is delicious, and the volunteers are so friendly and kind," she said.

Cindy had such a good experience with FMOW that she called again to arrange for meals while she recovers from knee replacement surgery.

"I can't sing Meals On Wheels' praises enough," Cindy said.



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Cindy Eckhardt has received meals for short-term recovery.

Get your June-A-Palooza tickets today!

WOODSTOCK ON THE FARM
JUNE-A-PALOOZA
AN EVENT TO BENEFIT MEALS ON WHEELS OF SHEBOYGAN COUNTY

1 DAY OF PEACE & MUSIC

SATURDAY, JUNE 24 - 3 PM - 8:30 PM
AT CHRISTOPHER FARM AND GARDENS
GOURMET CUISINE - LIVE MUSIC - OUTDOOR ART - WINE TASTING
GROOVY GARDENS AND ALTRUISTIC FILM FOR ADULTS
Purchase early for discounted tickets!
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Put on your bell bottoms, channel your inner Jimi Hendrix, and join us Saturday, June 24 for June-A-Palooza 2023: Woodstock on the Farm. The adults-only benefit for Fresh Meals On Wheels will be held 3-8:30 p.m. at Christopher Farm & Gardens.

Enjoy live music, specialty wine and beer, great food, auctions, garden art and more—all mixed with Woodstock '69 peace and love vibes in a gorgeous garden setting. It's an event you don't want to miss!

Tickets include entertainment, food, and beverages and can be purchased at FreshMealsOnWheels.org/events. The cost is \$135 per person through May 31; \$150 June 1-23; and \$175 at the event.

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Acuity continues its tradition of philanthropy

Everyone at Fresh Meals On Wheels (FMOW) would like to thank long-time benefactor Acuity and its employees for their continued support. At a December 2022 Town Hall meeting, Acuity employees determined the distribution of \$500,000 among six charitable organizations including Fresh Meals

On Wheels, which was presented with a check for \$71,350.

"Acuity's common purpose begins with the statement, 'With kind hearts, we dare to care,' and supporting our community is one way we show that care," said Ben Salzmann, Acuity CEO, in the release announcing the awards. Over the past 10 years, Acuity

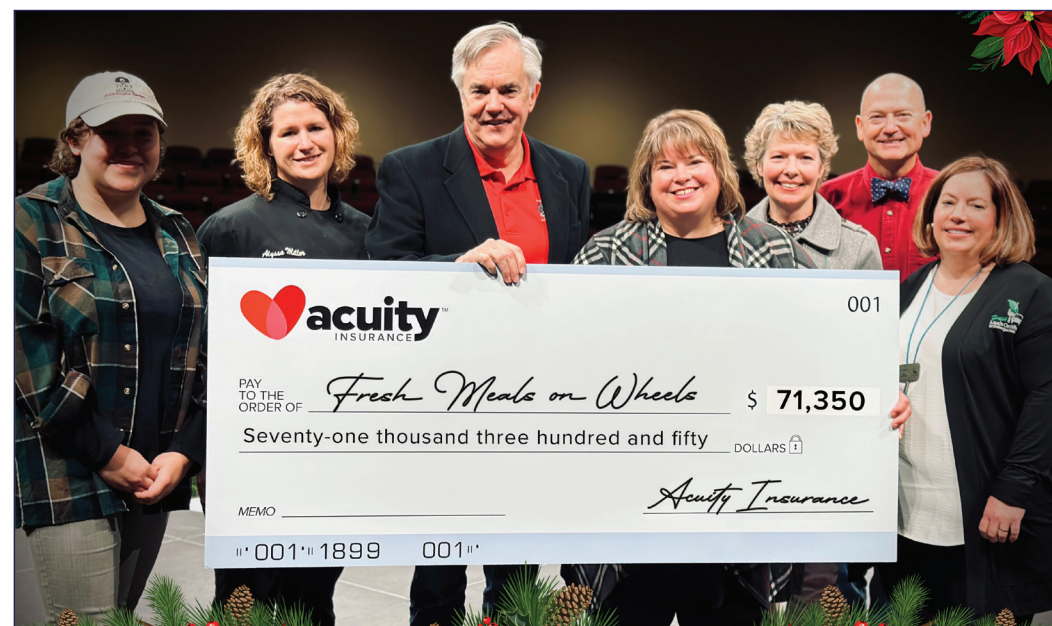
has made more than \$21 million in charitable contributions.

Acuity has been the premier sponsor for FMOW's June-A-Palooza event for multiple years, supported Love Bowls and its successor event, Soup on Wheels, and provided special meals for clients including a filet mignon meal that recipients still talk about.

"I am so grateful for the Acuity organization and its employees. Their generosity toward Fresh Meals On Wheels and their concern for our clients is truly appreciated," said FMOW CEO Allison Thompson.

Photo provided

Acuity CEO Ben Salzmann (center) and Vice President Wally Waldhart (second from right) present a check to Fresh Meals On Wheels staff members (left-right) Molly Mata, Alyssa Miller, CEO Allison Thompson, Wendy Kaeppler, and Amy Stader.



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From Fresh Meals On Wheels of Sheboygan County

Spring 2023



Upcoming Events

Friday, May 19
Dusk to Glow Golf

A glow ball golf event to benefit FMOW 7-10 p.m. at Crystal Lake Golf Course in Plymouth.

Saturday, June 24
June-A-Palooza

An adults-only event to benefit FMOW 3-8:30 p.m. at Christopher Farm & Gardens.

For more information, or to buy tickets, visit FreshMealsOnWheels.org/events or call 920-451-7011.

Open House

Coming this fall. Watch Facebook for updates.

Get Involved



REFER SOMEONE IN NEED OF MEALS



VOLUNTEER



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Fresh Meals On Wheels staff and board members display the nomination plaques and award FMOW received at the Sheboygan Area Chamber of Commerce Chamber Champions Gala February 16.

2022 Services Organization of the Year

One thing often overlooked by those close to our program, is how successful our team of volunteers, staff, board members and supporters are at fulfilling the mission of Fresh Meals On Wheels.

Every week – even as the number of people served increases – thousands of healthy, homemade meals are deliciously prepared and safely delivered to hundreds of Sheboygan

County residents who are in need of good nutrition.

That is why it was such an honor for us to be nominated for TWO Sheboygan County Chamber of Commerce Champions awards: Services Organization of the year and Non-Profit Charity of the year. It was even more exciting to hear our name announced as

winner of the 2022 Services Organization of the year!

We are honored to be recognized for hard work undertaken in 2022 to transition our meal program, increase the number of people served and even improve the flavor of the meals being delivered – all while food prices increased and product availability was challenged.

In April our FMOW team was again recognized, this time by the United Way of Sheboygan County as Outstanding Volunteer Board of Directors. I am so grateful for the hard work each board member contributes to ensure our FMOW program remains a leader in the community, and nationally.

I applaud all of you for your support and help in

sustaining our program.

Because of you, FMOW continues to serve our senior, disabled and homebound neighbors with joy and kindness – and without a waiting list.

If you or someone you know would benefit from meals or would like to volunteer, please visit FreshMealsOnWheels.org or call 920-451-7011.

Gratefully,

Allison Thompson, CEO



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