

**As we enter the Lenten season that stands on the pillars of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, it's good to acknowledge that our past giving has made a difference in people's lives.**

\$11,535 from the Used Book Sale was divided equally and donated to three local agencies.

The Giving Tree generated \$7,659.66 plus many gifts and supplies for Hawkeye Area Community Action Program, Dubuque Rescue Mission, Catholic Charities, Almost Home, and Sunnycrest Manor.

Excerpts from thank you letters:

*Your gift means more than you may ever know. Because of supporters like you, we are empowered each week to provide groceries, meals delivered to seniors, and compassion to those in need. For example, your donation recently helped a woman with three children, homeless and living in her car. Despite working full time, she had no money left for food and came to the Dubuque Food Pantry. Overwhelmed with gratitude, she broke down in tears several times while we helped her shop for groceries. Stories like hers are made possible because of your generosity.*

Dubuque Food Pantry

*Thank you! We asked for help, and you showed us what a caring community looks like. You are making sure that struggling families don't have to choose between food and paying for other necessities. Together, we're building hunger-free communities.*

River Bend Food Bank

*We are so grateful for your generous gift of \$3,845. It supports our mission of helping individuals and families in our community who need assistance. God bless you!*

St. Vincent de Paul Society



Thank you

...for the wonderful gifts for our Sunnycrest residents! You made their Christmas!



With much appreciation,  
Sunnycrest  
Residents &  
Beth Houselog,  
Life Enrichment  
Director

