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#GiveHealthy Drive-Through Food Collection Event Brings in Over 200 Pounds of Donations

Donations are for the benefit of food pantries and organizations within Brunswick County who serve high need areas.

SOUTHPORT—Dosher Memorial Hospital, in partnership with the Brunswick Wellness Coalition (BWC), hosted a #GiveHealthy drive through food donation event to benefit identified high need areas within Brunswick County. Donors drove up to the hospital front entrance on the morning of Wednesday July 20th, and dropped off over 200 pounds of food and \$60.00 in cash donations. BWC staff will coordinate distribution to local food pantries through South Brunswick PORCH and other non-profit organizations that promote access in nutritious foods.

BWC Executive Director, Dr. Leigh Lane, said, "There is a high need for food pantry supplies during the summer due to pantries compensating for meals children receive at school. We thank everyone who took time out of their day to help fill an urgent need in local food insecure communities and to help recipients get their five daily servings of fruits and vegetables."

Dosher President and CEO Lynda Stanley said, "This is a community comprised of neighbors who help their fellow neighbors, and that could not have been more apparent than through the extremely thoughtful donors who showed up today. I am touched and very grateful for this outpouring of generosity and caring."

About Dosher:

Dosher Memorial Hospital in Southport operates a network of medical and surgical services in our local area. In addition to hospital and surgical services, Dosher runs six primary care clinics, a seasonal clinic on Bald Head Island, a Convenient Care, a general surgery

practice, and a women's health clinic. For more detailed information on our service lines, visit our website at Dosher.org.

About Brunswick Wellness Coalition:

The Brunswick Wellness Coalition is a united group of individuals and health-minded leaders with the mission to improve the health of the Brunswick County community, and the vision of becoming the healthiest county in North Carolina. BWC is funded through Healthy People, Healthy Carolinas, an initiative of The Duke Endowment. To learn more, visit the website: brunswickwellness.org or Facebook: @BrunswickWellness.

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L – R: Hannah Leibrand and Icey Hester, UNCW Public Health Students and BWC Interns stand with items collected at the July 20th #GiveHealthy food drive hosted by Dosher.