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8' X 42' out door container that stores 25 pallets of dry goods.

FOOD HUB APPROACH

To meet the community's food needs, during the Covid-19 pandemic the demand for food shut down many of the food pantry's because of supply issues. To address this need and respond to the coronavirus, Second Harvest has partnered with the Mission of Love Food Pantry to develop a plan to address these persistent shortages of food. The plan involves growing the food storage capacity at the current Mission of Love food bank site to be able to maintain a static inventory of food. The next step is to add additional cold-food storage capacity, one of the greatest needs is the capacity to receive and store food that needs to have a temperature controlled environment. The increased capacity for cold food storage would allow for more pallets of food to be obtained. This plan is to increase the current storage space and then add a temperature controlled storage space. Once this is accomplished Second Harvest and its partnering agency Mission of Love Food Bank will be able to secure additional food partnerships to address the Slate Belt's on-going food needs.

As the demand for food remains at an all-time high, Second Harvest and its partnering agency Mission of Love Food Bank has diligently developed with Northampton County's assistance, the ability to grow the current site, add new safety equipment, and develop the ability to handle the expected increase in palletized food. With Second Harvest involvement Mission of Love has also *Continued on page10*





At the finish of the Back Packer hike, scouts were greeted by Representative Ann Flood, Borough Council President, George Hinton and Wind Gap Mayor, Wesley Smith. George Hinton recognized the backpackers for their hiking accomplishment and honored the 13 scouts who completed the inaugural hike in June of 2021 with the Pioneer Award. George Hinton said to the crowd of scouts and leaders, "I am so proud of these scouts and leaders for what they mean to our Wind Gap community. You accomplished something at this event in 2021 that had never been done before and are true pioneers of the Trail to Town Camporee!" Representative Flood, Mayor Smith and Wind Gap Borough Council President Hinton presented the 13 scouts with the pioneer award for their outstanding accomplishment. If you know a boy or girl who likes to learn and grow in outdoor adventures like this one, Scouting is looking for new scouts to join the fun. Simply visit https://join.scouting.org/ for more information.



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where scouts used their navigation skills to trek back to Wind Gap Park. After lunch, scouts completed practices their navigation skills by completing a 1 mile orienteering course. The Back Packer program, designed for experienced scouts, offered a challenging adventure on the Appalachian Trail (AT). Scouts departed Wind Gap Park by bus at 8:15 a.m. for the Fox Gap trailhead of the AT. Scouts hiked 8.5 miles from Fox Gap to Wind Gap on the AT. When they reached the AT trailhead in Wind Gap, scouts were greeted by members of the Wind Gap Volunteer Fire Company. The Wind Gap Fire Company escorted the scouts through town, to Wind Gap Park where they celebrated the finish of their 10 mile trek.