<u>Customer Spotlight: Morgantown Area</u> Meals on Wheels

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The service that the Morgantown Area Meals on Wheels provides is vitally important year-round, but especially during this period of social distancing. Their network of volunteers prepares and delivers an average of 115 fresh and healthy meals each day to clients throughout Morgantown and the organization has experienced an increase in meal requests due to Covid-19. Thankfully they have had 20 new volunteers help out with the daily deliveries. In addition, a number of community partners have stepped forward with donations of food and funding.

"The new volunteers have been a blessing, as many of our regular volunteers fall in the more vulnerable populations and this allowed them to suspend their volunteering, knowing the clients will still be cared for," said Sara Bishop, manager of MAMOW. "The assistance we have received from our community partners has been wonderful. The financial support eases the worries of the extra expenses when we already knew we needed to raise additional monies to fill our budget gap."

How you can help: While volunteers do the delivery, donations, grants and foundations cover the costs of preparation and food. All meals are subsidized by at least \$4 and as much as \$9 per meal. The organization does not receive state or federal funding and faces a \$15,000 budget shortfall this year.

To support the MOW mission please go to <u>www.morgantownwvmow.org</u>