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MEDIA RELEASE

RE: Grinnell Community Meal

On Friday, August 14, 2020 volunteers assembled at the Grinnell Public Safety Building to serve hot meals to community members. The options were either a hotdog or hamburger, with a bottle of water, chips and snacks. Approximately 1,500 meals were served from 4:10 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

A community is truly defined by its response during times of trouble. Whether it's a pandemic or a derecho, Grinnell has shown its strength and character throughout 2020 and this meal was just another example of us coming together for each other - **#GRINNtogether**. This event was possible because of the approximate 40 citizen volunteers, city businesses, and members of the fire and police departments. To each and every one I say *thank you for your generosity and compassion for your community.* Below is a summary of those contributing to this event.

ASI Signage Innovations  
Boy Scout Troop #313  
Fareway  
Farm Services  
Casey's  
Grinnell citizen volunteers  
Grinnell College  
Grinnell Chamber of Commerce  
Grinnell Fire Department  
Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance Company  
Grinnell Police Department  
Walmart

Respectfully,

Dennis Reilly  
Chief of Police