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COLTS riders asked to participate in Day of Caring food drive

Scranton, Pa. – The County of Lackawanna Transit System (COLTS) will participate in United Way of Lackawanna and Wayne Counties' Day of Caring and Interdependence on Thursday, Sept. 10, 2009 by asking COLTS riders to donate food for local pantries.

There will be green plastic containers on all COLTS buses on Thursday so that riders can donate canned goods and non-perishable items to be distributed to local food banks, whose shelves are nearly empty due to the state budget impasse.

“We thought this would be a small way to do our part to help our neighbors, and we are asking our riders to give what they can,” said COLTS executive director Robert Fiume. “Every little bit helps.”

The United Way is asking for non-perishable, non-glass, and non-expired food items, with a special request for canned meats. Collected items will be given to The Salvation Army, United Neighborhood Centers, and Bread Basket of Northeast Pennsylvania for distribution.