

## Thanks to the 2020 Kansas Ag Heroes!

## **Gaeddert Farms Sweet Corn**

The Kansas Food Bank proudly nominates Gaeddert Farms Sweet Corn for the first ever Kansas Agriculture Program award.

Gaeddert Farms has been a strong supporter for many years of the food bank. In their twelveyear history with us, they have donated over 454,000 pounds of fresh produce and they are still going strong.

Fresh produce is one of the first things that is passed up at the grocery store by cash strapped households. Yet, fresh produce is one of the most needed items for people who have



underlying health issues. In our latest hunger study, we found that an estimated 27 percent of households report at least one member with diabetes and 48 percent of households report at least one member with high blood pressure.

This year, with the increased need due to the pandemic, their produce donations have been especially important. The Kansas Food Bank has experienced a 30% higher demand in service since March. Many people are seeking assistance for the first time ever.

We could not do what we do every day without the agriculture community. Gaeddert Farms has stepped up tremendously this year to help provide missing meals for our neighbors in need.

They are very deserving of this award recognizing the great things that Kansas Farmers do!

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