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# **“Cans For Quarters” An Outstanding Success! Idea Continues To Spread!**

Liberty Coin Service’s recently completed “Cans For Quarters” campaign generated almost six thousand pounds of food and more than \$6,500 in cash donations for the Greater Lansing Food Bank. Among the schools participating in Cans For Quarters, students at St Mary’s in Charlotte won the award of more than \$200 in reference books to their library.

Patrick A. Heller, owner of Liberty Coin Service, said, “Our celebration of the appearance of the 2004 Michigan Quarter was an outstanding success. More than five thousand students and members of the general public donated food or cash in return for free Michigan Quarters. In all, we gave away more than 20,000 Michigan Quarters.”

Said Sharon Krinock, Executive Director of the Greater Lansing Food Bank, “We are thrilled by the community response resulting from the imaginative support from Liberty Coins.”

Earlier publicity surrounding Cans For Quarters prompted similar food drives in Brighton and Battle Creek, where food donors were given Michigan Quarters. That idea is now spreading. According to Heller, “I talked with major coin dealers in Dallas and Houston last week who were making arrangements to do a Cans For Quarters food drive to celebrate the release of the Texas Quarter.”

Liberty Coin Service, in the Standard Federal Bank Building at Frandor in Lansing, was established in 1971. It is Michigan’s largest rare coins and precious metals bullion dealership, with customers in every state and many foreign countries. Owner Patrick A. Heller was appointed by former Governor John Engler to the Michigan Quarter Commission to work on the design of the Michigan Quarter.

The Greater Lansing Food Bank, established in 1981, is a non-profit organization that provides emergency food to tens of thousands of individuals and families in need. It works through a network of food pantries and community kitchens throughout the greater Lansing area, including Ingham, Eaton, and Clinton counties.

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