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***BART Student Ambassadors Donate to Local Food Pantries***

In an effort spearheaded by junior Irish Noel, the BART Student Ambassadors held a food drive to benefit the Berkshire Food Project in North Adams and the Pittsfield Salvation Army. The drive, which ran for two weeks, ended on November 14th. The students collected an impressive 1,520 food items for donation. Many of the items collected were Thanksgiving fare such as stuffing, gravy, veggies etc.

The BART Student Ambassadors serve as school representatives and liaisons both on and off campus. As a part of representing BART in the surrounding towns and cities they find different ways to give back through donations, volunteering and taking part in community events. This year's group is made up of 10 students: Kuwana Bobbitt, Kyleigh Castagna, Lauren Cornell, Caleb Duffy, Tyler Ethier, Courtney Munson, Irish Noel, Dean Parise, Kyle Rolland, and BriAnna Solarz.

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