

## People's Resource Center Receives \$36,000 Grant to Expand Services for DuPage Seniors

People's Resource Center (PRC) is proud to announce a \$36,000 grant award from the Russell and Josephine Kott Memorial Charitable Trust. The award enables PRC to increase services to senior citizens who visit its Food Pantry and social services programs.

The grant will allow PRC to provide food for seniors at its Food Pantries, support those needing social services help, including rent, transportation and SNAP (food stamp assistance) applications, and maintain salary support for employees who focus on this population.

PRC and the Kott Memorial Charitable Trust are invested in helping seniors remain independent as long as possible.

“It is an honor to be selected as a Kott Memorial Charitable Trust grantee,” said Jeni Fabian, Executive Director of People's Resource Center. “They are unmatched in their dedication to improving life for seniors. This generous gift will help provide vital food and services for our elderly neighbors throughout DuPage County. We are grateful to be partnering with this renowned organization.”

In FY '18, 12 percent of People's Resource Center clients were aged 65 or older. The number of households with at least one senior member has increased 16% since 2009. PRC assists almost 30,000 DuPage residents each year by providing food, clothing and emergency monetary assistance. It also empowers clients to break the cycle of poverty by offering classes in computer training, literacy and art, along with a job assistance program. It has two full-service locations in Wheaton and Westmont. All services are free.

The Russell and Josephine Kott Memorial Charitable Trust honors the lives of Russell and Josephine Kott. The Trust was created to improve the lives of individuals, with an emphasis on gerontology. Its funding enhances services for seniors through educational internships, quality programs and capacity building for agencies serving seniors.

###

### **ABOUT PRC:**

Since 1975, People's Resource Center has been bringing neighbors together to respond to hunger and poverty in DuPage County. With a team of over 2,600 volunteers, we offer nutritious food and other basic necessities like clothes and rent assistance for people facing tough times. It also connects people with resources—education and tutoring, jobs, technology, art, a caring community—to create a future of hope and opportunity for all.