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Plainville Community Fund selling flowers at Gnazzo’s to support local programs

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Deanna Gelt, volunteer with the Plainville Community Fund, selling flowers at Gnazzo’s Food Center in Plainville.
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PLAINVILLE – The Plainville Community Fund is selling spring flowers today at Gnazzo’s to benefit their charitable efforts.

Deanna Gelt, a volunteer with the Plainville Community Fund, has been at the grocery store at 73 East St. Thursday and Friday, selling a variety of flowers to benefit the fund.

She will be there Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., or until the last of the flowers are sold.

“We’ve been getting a lot of great support from the community,” Gelt said. “We have lilies, azaleas, hydrangeas, daffodils and tulips. A lot of people have been picking them up for their Easter family gatherings.”

Gelt encouraged people to come pick up flowers and help to support a good cause.

“We have a lot of beautiful colors,” she said. “People like that all of the money we raise stays in the town of Plainville.”

Gelt said the Plainville Community Fund also holds a basket raffle fundraiser in the fall.

Since 2006, the Plainville Community Fund has awarded more than \$144,186 in grants to support organizations and individuals in Plainville, according to its website.

Organizations are able to apply for grants through the website.

Last year, grants awarded from the Plainville Community Fund totaled \$15,000, including:

- New Britain Museum of American Art - \$2,000 for the Access to the Arts program for Plainville elementary school students
- PARC, Inc. - \$3,000 for the Recreational bowling program for adults with developmental disabilities to increase socialization and physical activity
- Plainville Board of Education/Plainville Adult and Continuing Education - \$1,000 for the Plainville Adult Education Satellite Instructional Service at the Plainville Public Library for students seeking instruction outside regular hours,
- Plainville Board of Education/Plainville High School – \$1,000 for a Music Department Interactive Display Screen for video learning and classroom enhancement

- Plainville Early Learning Center - \$3,000 for a Summer Enrichment Program serving 80 preschoolers for 10 weeks of in-house programs and field trips
- Plainville Wind Ensemble - \$1,500 for a Free Connecticut Composers Concert to be held at Plainville High School
- Prudence Crandall Center, Inc. - \$1,000 for a Domestic Violence Intervention & Prevention Services for Plainville residents
- The Congregational Church of Plainville - \$1,500 to support the second year of the Music Is Sacred Project concert series featuring free performances of a variety of music genres and musicians.
- Wheeler Regional Family YMCA - \$1,000 for Adaptive Fitness Program equipment to provide accessibility for people with physical, intellectual, and developmental disabilities, to participate in healthy lifestyles.

For more information, or to learn more about volunteering for the Plainville Community Fund, call the Main Street Community Foundation at 860-583-6363 or email office@mainstreetfoundation.org.

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