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## MEDIA ADVISORY – FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## **Greater Lansing Food Bank Opens Garden Resource Center for Growing Season**

WHAT: Greater Lansing Food Bank (GLFB) is opening its Garden Resource Center to the community for the spring growing season. The resource center offers seeds, tools and other resources to Lansing community members. GLFB has over 125 community gardens in Mid-Michigan where residents can register a plot to grow healthy vegetables and scenic flowers.

**WHO:** Though the food bank is focused on assisting low-income families, anyone is welcome to participate in gardening at GLFB.

WHY: Greater Lansing Food Bank's Garden Project was created to increase the amount of fresh produce available to families. It gives food bank clients a sense of pride and agency, and community gardens increase the natural beauty of Lansing neighborhoods. The gardens are one way that GLFB works to build the community.

WHEN: Opening day at the Resource Center is Wednesday April 19 from 10am to 1pm.

Regular Hours Beginning Wednesday, April 19: All Wednesdays, 10:00am - 1:00pm All Thursdays, 5:00 - 7:00pm

Regular Hours Beginning Tuesday, May 23: All Tuesdays, 5:00 - 7:00pm All Wednesdays, 10:00am - 1:00pm All Thursdays, 5:00 - 7:00pm

## WHERE:

**GLFB** Garden Resource Center 2401 Marcus St. Lansing, MI 48912

Greater Lansing Food Bank (GLFB) is a non-profit organization that provides emergency food to individuals and families in need in Ingham, Eaton, Clinton, Shiawassee, Clare, Isabella and Gratiot counties. It raises money, food and in-kind contributions to meet emergency food needs; coordinates and supports the work of area food pantries; rescues wholesome excess food that would otherwise go to waste; promotes, encourages and emphasizes selfhelp programs toward the goal of self-sufficiency; and educates the community on hunger issues. The Garden Project (GP) is dedicated to growing healthy food and cultivating connections throughout the community. GP's network of more than 125 community gardens throughout seven mid-Michigan counties includes gardens operated by schools, churches, service agencies, housing groups and neighbors working together. To learn more about the Greater Lansing Food Bank, visit greaterlansingfoodbank.org.

