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Help those in need by filling your stomach  
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If you stop by IQ's on University Avenue these days, make sure you order something besides a drink.  
Not only will you help your appetite, you'll also help the needy in the Green Bay area.

IQ's is donating 10 percent of its August food sales profits to Paul's Pantry as part of its Fourth Annual Food Drive. The tavern also plans to donate 5 percent of its food sales each month starting in September.

"We wanted to give back to the community and we feel that Paul's Pantry is an excellent charity because it's locally owned," said Bill Hickey, who along with his wife Sandy owns the tavern. "They help other communities also in the region."

The pantry, which the late Leo Frigo opened in 1984, is the largest food pantry in the area, serving more than 3,700 families.

IQ's has also hit upon another way to help combat area hunger: collecting food to donate.

In lieu of a \$3 cover charge to any of its August music performances, the tavern is seeking food donations from its patrons. And what it collects in cover charges this month -- almost \$200 so far -- is being donated to the pantry.

"We think it is great, the generosity of our community," said Craig Robbins, Paul's Pantry director. "IQ's has supported us since they opened and is one of the ways that our community gets behind our efforts."

Hickey said state, local and out-of-state bands that perform at the tavern are also contributing to the pantry.

"We do pay each band, but it's less than they normally get, so they are donating a lot of their time," he said.

Every month, Paul's Pantry distributes to people in need an average of 300,000 pounds of unsold food recovered from stores and restaurants.

The pantry has distributed more than 50 million pounds of food since it opened in 1984, Robbins said.

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