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Thieves hit food pantry delivery truck in Cheektowaga

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CHEEKTOWAGA, N.Y. (WIVB) - Here at the Resurrection Life Food Pantry on Old Union Road It's the busiest time of the year.

As volunteers provide food to nearly 1,000 families in Cheektowaga.

Those deliveries happen every week thanks to this truck which volunteers call 'Samson.'

But for Kim Reynolds, the pantry's director, now it's a little harder to make those trips.

She says thieves stole the converters Friday evening while Samson was parked in the back corner of the building.

Cheektowaga police say the pantry wasn't targeted.

In fact, police say six catalytic converters were stolen from about three different locations in the area.

One of the biggest impacts is food delivery.

Reynolds says without Samson, that makes it that much harder to them to deliver all this food to the five low-income senior centers that rely on this food every week.

Now Reynolds says it's the waiting game as the special parts to repair Samson had to be ordered which insurance will cover.

In the meantime, volunteers are using their own cars to pick up and drop off food.

Reynolds says thieves may have stalled Samson and their deliveries, but Reynolds says this hasn't stopped them from helping those in need.

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