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## Montco Commissioners Pack and Deliver Meals on Wheels to Seniors

**Souderton, PA (May 16, 2016)** – Montgomery County Commissioners Val Arkoosh and Joe Gale today joined scores of volunteers at Generations of Indian Valley in packing and delivering meals to homes of senior citizens in Souderton and the North Penn area as part of the local "Meals on Wheels" program.

The commissioners pitched in as part of the many ceremonies and events marking Older Americans Month throughout May.

"I was honored today to help in a small way these dedicated volunteers in this critically important work that they carry out every day," Arkoosh said. "So many of the services that we provide at the county are for our most vulnerable citizens, and Meals on Wheels is certainly one of the most important."

Gale commended the volunteers for their selfless work. "The volunteers here deliver two meals a day to 150 consumers," Gale said. "That is a huge undertaking, and Generations is just one of eight programs doing this important work throughout the county."

Generations of Indian Valley prepared and delivered a total of 58,000 meals last fiscal year. The organization has a total of 230 volunteers who donated over 7,000 hours of service delivering meals on 13 separate routes.

The county's entire delivered meal program has eight providers, each of which delivers two meals a day to consumers, which include a hot noon-time meal and a cold sandwich meal. Last year, the county's

providers delivered 326,364 meals to approximately 1,500 Montgomery Countians. Over a thousand volunteers donated 51,847 hours preparing, packing, and distributing the meals.