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## 1<sup>st</sup> Indiana Battalion Assists Needy at Local Food Bank.

**Lafayette, IN** – Soldiers from the 1<sup>st</sup> Indiana Battalion, United States Veteran Reserve Corps were on-site at Food Finders Food Bank in Lafayette, Indiana, assisting individuals facing food insecurity with getting the essentials they require.

At 08:30, the first contingent of arrived on scene and was comprised of the Officer-In-Charge, Warrant Officer 1 David Fagan, Advanced Personnel, and Safety Patrol personnel. The rest of the Battalion arrived at the sight for first formation at 09:00. Included in the compliment were medics, who were ready to render medical assistance, should the need arise.

Activities for the day included packing, stacking, and sorting food items for those in need. Some of the soldiers assisted individuals with their shopping. Final formation was at 14:00.

"Our mission intent is two-fold: assist the local community in an essential service and maintain readiness in the event of an actual Points of Distribution mission during an emergency response." Officer Candidate Dean Argiris, the Battalion's Public Affairs Officer stated.

The United States Veteran Reserve Corps is a team of volunteer soldiers operating as a Community Emergency Response Team. They blend the military structure, volunteer spirit, and emergency and response by partnering with the Department of Homeland Security, FEMA, and State Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster.