

# Celebrating 20 Years of Neighbors Helping Neighbors

# **Notes From The Pantry**

**Summer 2014** 

# From the Executive Director

Dear Friends,

What a wonderful summer this has been! Weather has really cooperated and this has helped to make our IFP Community Garden something special! As mentioned in this newsletter we are having a fantastic season and the garden is being enjoyed by staff, volunteers and clients alike. Erin Long, our Garden Manager, has done a terrific job along with her truly special volunteers. We welcome you to come up and visit to see for yourself what is happening.

As always, things are very busy here. As of the end of July, we have distributed 263 tons of food and provided assistance to more than 6,700 people. This is 34% more food than given out during the same period in 2012! Activity has really ramped up as we expand hours and sessions to handle all the new clients and work to secure enough food to keep up with the need. Fortunately we have been blessed with a constant supply of volunteers to pick up the slack and the food and financial donations seem to be holding steady. With all the demands for donations out there we truly thank our lucky stars for all of you every day.

Speaking of volunteers, we just held our annual volunteer picnic at my house August 2 and had a record 115 attendees! Considering the weather report was a 70% chance of heavy rain and thunderstorms we all were holding our breath but everyone sent good wishes skyward and we wound up with perfect weather not only no rain but temps in the 70's which was a miracle in itself for the first week of August. Someone up there must truly like us.

Special thanks to Volunteer Coordinator Doug McMahon for organizing the event and all the rest of the staff who pitched in and made it a wonderful party. Also, thank you to my wonderful husband Tom, who spent weeks getting the yard and pool in



perfect shape and then worked hard manning one of the grills.

We have lots of activities coming up at the end of the summer such as the Fall Festival, Action Against Hunger county wide food drive, the Volunteer Recognition Dinner and Turkey Trot to mention a few. As the weather begins to get colder we will once again be collecting new and gently used gloves, hats, snow boots and scarves. And finally, it's never too early to begin planning for Turkey time! Once again we will be providing turkeys and baskets for more than 1,500 of our neighbors and need your help. All the details can be found inside.

I thank you all for your kind and caring support, wish you a great end to your summer and look forward to continue working together.

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#### **Current Needs**

- ► Shelf-stable milk (Parmalat)/Dry milk/Evaporated milk
- ► Soups (regular, hearty and low sodium)
- Canned fruit
- Peanut butter
- Mac 'n Cheese
- Spaghetti and tomato sauce
- ► Canned beans (pork & beans, pinto, red & white)
- ► Canned meats and meals and tuna fish
- ► Rice white or brown (1 or 2 lb. size)
- ▶ Rice-a-Roni, Instant Potatoes, Hamburger Helper, etc.
- ▶ Diapers (5&6) and Pull-Ups (4T&5T)
- ▶ Baby food Stage 3 vegetables
- ▶ 100% Juice (32 oz)

#### Save the Dates!

Mark your calendars for two special events!

Thursday Nov. 27th for our **8th Annual Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot.** Come join the fun and help us meet the need. More info inside.

Friday, April 24, 2015 for our **16th Annual Spring Gala**, to be help at the Birchwood Manor in Whippany. For more info contact Carolyn at ext. 211 or carolynlake@mcifp.org.





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# **Youth In Action**



Above, youth volunteers from Hilltop Church (First Presbyterian Church of Mendham) helped to prepare our garden beds in April.

#### **Gratitude Abounds**

**Jessica Ippolito** of East Hanover Girl Scout Troop 12, shown below with her donation, collected 707 pounds of food for the Interfaith Food Pantry as part of her Bronze Award Project.

She would like to thank the students, staff and families of Frank J. Smith, Central and East Hanover Middle Schools; patrons of the East Hanover Public Library; members of the Greater Morris YMCA and her neighbors, friends, fellow scouts and family for their overwhelming generous support.



#### **Rivals Take Down Hunger**

Wrestling Rivals Randolph High School and Roxbury High

School once again collected food for the IFP during their annual tournament held this year in Randolph. Attendees who donated food received a reduced admission fee to the match, and the Randolph school district contributed cash as well. A big Thank You to all who helped to gather 862 lbs. of food and \$220!

Pictured, Randolph High School wrestling team captains AJ Vindici, Nick Kratochul and Matt Vozzo with their coach Mike Suk..





Dash Green of Chatham collected \$70.00 and 132 lbs. of food for his tenth birthday. This is Dash's second year of donating to the IFP in lieu of birthday gifts.

### And then there's...

- Erin Joel and Tommy Romano, who celebrated eighth grade graduation by collecting school supplies for our clients.
- ► Alexis Thorsen, who donated \$100 and 139 pounds of food gathered in lieu of gifts for her 5th birthday.
- ► Zachary Maqsudi's donation of \$30 received for his birthday.



Above, **Tanya McGinniss** and her children are hard at work harvesting some produce at the IFP Community Garden to be distributed to our clients and used in the client nutrition education classes held at the pantry. Tanya and her family are truly "neighbors helping neighbors".

# 2013 Annual Report

The 2013 Interfaith Food Pantry Annual Report is now available. The full version can be found on our website **www.mcifp.org** > About Us > Annual Reports

Check Us Out!

### **Food Drive Honor Roll**

We are very grateful to all who conduct food drives for the IFP throughout the year. In addition to those mentioned elsewhere on this page, the following youth groups donated more than 200 pounds of food or \$200 from April through June, all of which helped to keep the Pantry shelves stocked. A big THANKS to all! (Donation in pounds unless otherwise marked.)

Boy Scout Troop 112—Nat'l Guard, 1,923 + \$298 Morris School District Transportation Dept., 720 Washington Avenue School, 678 Bee Meadow School, 613 Fernbrook School, 593

College of St. Elizabeth, 549 Rockaway Valley School, 547 Whippany Park High School, 401 Sandshore School, 355 Chatham Middle School, 350 The Peck School, 340

Morris County Council of Education Assoc., 307

Boy Scout Troop 8, 282

Girl Scouts—Parsippany, 207

Gill St. Bernard's School, 203

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# In the Spotlight

# 190 Speedwell Avenue ... A Godsend to Many!

Most folks who pass it by don't even know it's there, but the Interfaith Food Pantry's distribution center at 190 Speedwell Avenue has been a Godsend for many of our clients since it opened its doors in December 2000.

The Interfaith Food Pantry was born in 1994 when a group of four local houses of worship decided to consolidate their own food assistance programs. Its first home was a small room in the basement of the First Baptist Church on Washington Street in Morristown. At the time, the majority of our clients were seniors and disabled folks living in rent subsidized Morristown Housing Authority apartments and low-income working families from the greater Morristown area; most had no transportation and walked to the Pantry.



IFP volunteer **Nancy Dupree** assists client Jeremiah with his groceries.

Then, in May of 2000, a devastating fire gutted the church, and the

Pantry found itself "homeless". We resumed temporary distribution at 214 South Street, an old building slated for demolition that the Mayor of Morristown was allowing us to use for office space and food storage. An exhaustive search ensued for a permanent distribution site, leading to the little white house on Speedwell Ave. With amazing support from our friends in corporate philanthropy and other supporters, we were able to afford the lease and opened our new distribution center in December, six months after the fire.

Over the ensuing years, the Pantry and its client base have grown exponentially. Our new expanded pantry, warehouse and headquarters, located in the former Greystone complex near Morris Plains, provides

food 6 days a week for all those who can get up there. The 190 Speedwell distribution center, now known as the satellite pantry, is a Godsend for those without transportation, and serves an average of 100 families, living within walking distance, every week. Current clients include senior citizens, disabled individuals, low-income wage earners, unemployed workers and families in crisis. To make it easier to carry while walking or taking the bus, clients served at 190 receive food every other week. And that's just fine with 80 year-old Jeremiah, a pantry client since 1999, who walks from his apartment on Early Street even in the dead of winter. By now he's probably on his third or fourth grocery cart.

Although many of our clients at 190 are elderly, we also help many young families who would truly struggle to get by without the food assistance the Pantry provides. Sandra, her husband Luis and their adorable one-year-old daughter Mailyn live a few blocks away. Luis is a day laborer and works hard, but his income can be sporadic. Mailyn rides like a princess in her stroller on the trek from home to 190; on the return trip, it's the bags of groceries that get the preferential seating.

Some ask why, with our new, larger facility we don't consolidate and close up shop at 190 Speedwell. The answer is simple. We made a commitment, as long as Jeremiah and Sandra and Mikhail and Tanesha and Maria and Reggie and Olga and Sydney and dozens of others right around the corner need our help, we will continue to renew our lease and be there for them. Your support of our Summer Rent Appeal makes this possible.

Written by 190 Speedwell volunteer Terry Scullin

#### **Clients Help Clients, Too!**

Sometimes help can come from surprising places. That was just what happened for Ellie, a 40-year-old whose family has periodically relied on the Pantry for food support after they suffered losses from Hurricane Sandy and then saw her work hours cut. During a recent distribution visit, she mentioned to **Liliana Herrera**, IFP Client Services Manager, that her family's financial situation was worsening and she really needed a steady job.

Another client, **Jessica Samoya**, whose story was spotlighted at our Spring Gala in March, volunteers at the IFP. When she heard of Ellie's situation, she shared that the company she recently began working for was looking for someone to fill a part-time position. Thanks to Jessica making the link and sharing the information, Ellie is now employed part time—with full time work a distinct possibility!



IFP volunteer **Rosemary Doherty** meets with client Sandra & her daughter Mailyn.

# In Our Clients' Words "What the IFP Means to Me..."

"This is a great program, especially for us seniors who are on a fixed income. Please don't ever stop this program—we would go hungry!"

"The food is great and I get more fresh vegetables now. The money I save allows me to pay other bills like utilities and medicine. The pantry is a lifesaver!"

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# In The Spotlight

#### **Board Update**

In May, the Pantry welcomed **Paul Zelenty** to the Board of Trustees. Paul has been actively involved with the IFP since our capital campaign, when he served as our legal counsel donating his work pro-bono. Since then he has organized food drives and group volunteer activities with his colleagues from

Graham Curtin, where he is an attorney and shareholder. These experiences left him with a "desire to do more with and for an excellent organization that is doing wonderful work." Thus his commitment to the IFP Board! As a board member, Paul will serve on the IFP Development and Community Relations Committee. Paul lives in Bridgewater with his wife, Cheryl.



Our heartfelt thanks to the following departing Board members: **Rachel Cushing**, (2008 - 2014) who started her career with Graham Curtin and is now with **Chubb & Son**. Rachel also just became mom to daughter Clare.

**Karen Jones-Williams** (2006 - 2014) of the Morris School District. Their service to the Pantry has been invaluable.

### Creative, Healthy Fundraising

Kudos to **Mondelez** of East Hanover for its creativity in developing this clever idea. Volunteers plant, care for and harvest a garden at the Mondelez complex and sell the produce to company employees. All funds raised are donated to the IFP!



We're grateful for their donations and are sure the employees are enjoying the fresh produce too!

Left, Mondelez employees Pauline Chandler, Kristie Leigh, Melissa Jewell and Wendy Spelman show off their early Spring garden.

#### The Beauty of Caring

As people look around our facility here at 2 Executive Drive, we often get asked about some of the beautiful handmade outdoor furnishings that can be found in the front of the building and in the garden. The credit for these items goes to **Susie Schub**, president of **Caring Capital**, her colleagues, and the companies who donate time, funds and talent to construct these items as part of their team-building events.

Employees of the Fannie E. Rippel Foundation, pictured below, recently built one of the benches that our clients can now sit on outside while waiting for their food, Wyndham Worldwide built many of the planters you will see in the garden, and Novartis employees built additional benches also located in the garden, just to name a few. We are so grateful to all of these organizations and to Susie for her continued partnership!

Special thanks to the **Page Hill Foundation** who worked with Caring Capital to bring an "arts & crafts" event to the IFP for children of our clients.



Employees of the **Fannie E. Rippel Foundation** relax after building a bench for our clients at the IFP. Pictured above (standing I to r): **Ellen Papazian, Jane Novak, Laura Landy** (CEO & President), **Chana Fitton** (CFO & VP). Seated (I to r): **Patricia MacBain, Amy Testa**, & **Kim Hart**.

# **Golf Outing Update**

Foursomes for our 9th Annual Golf Outing, which will be held on Monday, September 29th at the Mount Tabor Country Club are nearly sold out! But you can still participate and showcase your support to our participants by taking advantage of one of our sponsor opportunities (which start at just \$250). See our website for details. With thanks to platinum sponsors Avison Young and Graham Curtin, to Britcher, Leone & Roth, LLC, and Verde Ristorante our cocktail reception sponsors. Hot Rod's BBQ, for sponsoring lunch and to Audi of Mendham for sponsoring the hole-in-one contest!



# A Special Donation!

After providing an estimate for the work we needed done to ensure the IFP Community Garden would get the water it would need this summer, manager Mike Tapia and owner Paul Giglio of Pipeworks Services, Inc. of Chatham, NJ decided to donate all the materials and labor for the irrigation system.

Pictured are **Andrew Zackoff** and **Christopher Tapia**, technicians from Pipeworks Services taking a break after installing the plumbing and exterior faucets. What a fantastic gift!

Thanks to everyone at Pipeworks!

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# Here 'n' There

#### **Letter Carriers Tackle Hunger**

On Saturday May 10, 2014 Post Offices throughout Morris County participated in the National Letter Carriers "Stamp Out Hunger" food drive. The post offices located in Mendham, Rockaway, Chatham, Morristown, Madison, Morris Plains, Florham Park and Mountain Lakes together donated over 15,500 pounds of food to the Interfaith Food Pantry! We are so grateful for the food which helps to stock our shelves during the summer months when supplies run low but demand remains high. Heartfelt thanks to all the postal carriers and their route customers who participated in the food drive.

### Plan for Planned Giving

"Maybe if the economy gets better we'll no longer have a need for a Food Pantry". We've heard people say this before and while we also wish there was no need for our services, the truth is, there will always be a need for a Food Pantry. While circumstances may change for some people, others—the sick, elderly or disabled—will always need our assistance.

You can help ensure that aid will always be available for those who need it well into the future with a planned gift. You can simply name the **Interfaith Food Pantry** in your will, with the amount you wish to be donated, or you can also designate IFP as a beneficiary in your life insurance policy.

We also accept **Gifts of Stock** and contributions directly from your **IRA**. A **Charitable Remainder Trust** or **Gift Annuity**, administered in partnership with the Community Foundation of New Jersey, can provide you with regular income while providing a predictable flow of funds for the IFP. For more information visit us at www.mcifp.org/plannedgiving.htm.

### **Lace Up Those Running Shoes!**

Start your Thanksgiving Day with a bang—and make a difference in the lives of others by participating in the **Interfaith** 



Food Pantry and Literacy Volunteers of Morris County's 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Morris Township Turkey Trot. Once again sponsored by The Sweetie Pig Foundation, the event continues to grow in popularity. More than 2,200 participants raised more than \$62,000 to provide hunger relief and literacy skills to our neighbors in need last year and the number keeps growing!

Bring the whole gang to Ginty Field on Nov. 27 for the USATF certified 5k race, 1-mile fun run/walk and Kids Trot. You can register, create fundraising pages, or get your name on the back of the t-shirt by sponsoring the race at the new website:

www.morristownshipturkeytrot.org.

Don't wait—register early to avoid the crush!



#### An Apple a Day - And Then Some!

Thanks to the hardworking and dedicated cashiers of **Kings Food Markets** located in Morris County and their very generous customers - the IFP received \$16,199 to help its clients.

The funds were raised during the stores' annual Pantry Apple Program, where \$1 and \$5 paper apples are sold to help raise awareness of hunger in our county. Stores located in Boonton, Chatham, Florham Park, Madison, Mendham, Morristown and Gillette (new this year) participated in the June/July program.

We are truly grateful for the continued support that Kings gives the IFP and thank all who participated!

#### CALLING ALL TURKEYS

Though we are still in the height of Summer, we're already looking toward (and planning for) Thanksgiving 2014!

Last year, we provided holiday baskets to more than 1,600 families served by not only the IFP, but many other Morris County agencies. Our clients' needs increase during the holidays, and many new people reach out for help.

We need your help! Perhaps you could organize a food drive in your school, place of worship, office or other group? We especially need turkeys and fresh produce! Tools to make it easy are available on the IFP website at www.mcifp.org/fooddrive.htm. You'll be amazed at how simple it is to help!

We will be collecting turkeys, canned hams, small chickens,

stuffing, instant or fresh potatoes, gravy, fruit juice and more. Our needs are listed on our web-site. Monetary donations and supermarket gift cards are especially helpful, as we need to purchase turkeys and produce during this busy season.

Holiday food distribution begins the **first** 



week of November, so please plan now for September and October drives so your donations can come in early! Check out our website www.mcifp.org in September for the dates we'll be staying open late to receive donations.

# **Double Your Impact**

You may be able to double the impact of your donation with just a little extra effort on your part. Many employers will match charitable donations, and in some cases, the match is even twice your own donation! You can check out our website at **www.mcifp.org** for a partial list of the companies we are aware of that will match contributions. We can't be sure that it is a complete list, so be sure to check with your Human Resources Department to see if your company matches.

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### **Volunteer News**

#### "We've Got Your Back"

Now in its third year, the IFP Corporate Advisory Council's "We've Got Your Back" backpack program is fully underway and, before school starts in September, we will have supplied 650 kids with backpacks, notebooks, pencils and all

the gear needed for a successful school year!

Joined this year by Towers Watson, the employees of MetLife, The Lapp Group, Solix, and One Call Care Management led the way with company drives and vendor collusion (for deep discounts and donated supplies). Also helping were the **Spring Brook** Country Club Foundation (and individual club members) and many individuals and families who donated supplies. Volunteers from JCP&L,

Kings and NYLIM will help distribute all the items during the month of August. We give them all a big hand, for having the kids' backs!



Volunteer Chris Herbst from Solix joins one of our young clients in a "thumbs up" after helping him select his school supplies during the 2013 "WGYB" program.



Volunteers (from left) Diana Mrugal, Stacy Gilbert, Edward Witkowski and Alex Serrano from Citrin Cooperman's Livingston office helped out during their recent visit.





Pictured above is Donna Rosenthal (3rd from left), as she gathered one last time with many of the IFP staff, for a bagel and coffee sendoff after volunteering 2,800 hours over nearly 13 years. Best of luck in Tennessee!

#### Many Hands...

Helping our clients truly is a community effort. We could not serve as effectively as we do without the tireless support of volunteers from many area companies.

In addition to those mentioned elsewhere in this newsletter, we are grateful to our corporate partners. We welcomed back again CIT, Drinker, Biddle & Reath, L'Oreal, Marsh, Short Hills Hilton, Solix, and Verizon Wireless. New welcomes were extended to first-time visitors Experian, Towers Watson and Transwestern. These volunteer groups suited up, showed up, and worked hard at whatever needed to be done during these past few months. Special thanks to all of you!

Thanks also to Macy's of Livingston, whose employees gathered 255 pounds of food during the store's "Bagging Hunger" campaign.

Above, home delivery volunteer Nathan Umbriac, with his one year old son, Joaquin, picks up groceries for his homebound client.

#### **Hello New Volunteers!**

Melanie Gerace Anne Baier Lauren Orella Judy Bellush Jane Giancamillo Kelly O'Shea Tom Bontempo Iris Goicochea Barbara Ricciardi Val Schuszler & Family Marie Grieco Melanie Bowers Rosalie Grow Teresa Schwartz Jack Bury Lorrie Chletsos Walter Hagelgans Chris Shim Christina Ciccotti Tom Kelly Rosemary Sica Gail Coulbourne Wendy Silverstein Allison Lowry Nancye Falzone Lorraine Mazzola Kay Steadman-Trenear Ana Ferriera Everett McGrath **Encarnacion Suarez** Dori & Jerry Fitzsimmons Wayne Merckling Sanajana Umarale Sarah Foulkes Patrick Monaghan Daniel Wallburg Ana Garcia Brandon Moore Rick Winstead

**Congratulations** to new parents Rachel & Kevin Cushing; to grandparents Mark & Karen Jones-Williams, Bonnie & Raymond King, and Piyush & Bharti Gahyal.

And Deepest Sympathies to volunteers Ann Cade on the passing of her husband and IFP volunteer Peter; Liz Bitterman on the loss of her husband Steve; John Alderton on the loss of his wife Joan.: Marie Logan on the loss of her sister Katherine: Mark Burn on the loss of his mother June: and Medhi Shahpar on the loss of his father Seved.

# **Annual Volunteer Recognition Dinner Set**

Each year we celebrate our wonderful cadre of dedicated volunteers, and all the work they do throughout the year with our "Celebrate the Pantry" pot-luck Volunteer Recognition Dinner. This year's dinner will be held at St. Virgil Church in Morris Plains on Thursday, October 16 at 6:00pm. We are so grateful to all our volunteers for their time and dedication. Where would we be without them?! Save the date!

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# **Healthy Choices**

#### **Show and Taste!**

A demonstration is more engaging when the program includes tasting, and IFP nutritionist, Katy Galton, and her enthusiastic volunteers really know how to engage clients! Many distribution sessions feature demos, sometimes of foods that may be new to clients - or of new ways to use old standbys - and then everyone gets to taste them! Recent topics highlighted:

- Diabetes Prevention, with whole grain pasta, kale and cannellini beans (May).
- ► Fresh herbs, during this herbplentiful season (June).
- ▶ Using fresh squash (July).

Many clients echo the sentiment of one, who said, "It's a fun, pleasant atmosphere - and I like the clear, step-by-step directions."

# Produce Pouring In

With the growing season in full swing, our clients are truly benefiting from nature's bounty and IFP donors' generosity. All are incredibly grateful to have access to the wonderful fresh fruits and vegetables.

The produce is donated by individuals and families, community gardeners and local farms.

Many have planted rows just for us and others are sending us their extras. Remember, if you have

too much we can always use more!



Volunteers **Kim David** and her daughter **Gabriella** sort through more than 314 pounds of produce, received from **Alstedes Farm** in Chester.

# **News from the Garden**

Our on-site IFP Community Garden is in full swing, and is already producing an array of VERY fresh vegetables for our distribution sessions! When our Garden Manager, **Erin Long**, joined the Pantry in the Spring, there were four raised beds ready to be planted, and she made quick work of planting cool season crops such as lettuce, spinach and peas, as well as carrots and onions.

We're grateful to volunteer Ian Erb, IFP Board president Greg Supron, his son Andrew, IFP Board member Russ Hall and his daughter, JoAnn Roman, who built many more raised beds. Ian also built a picnic table with benches for our garden area.

Erin and IFP volunteers planted hundreds of seeds- a huge savings over the cost of seedlings. Special thanks go to volunteer **Ed Murphy**, the Horticulture Department at **County College of Morris**, that, under the guidance of department head **Brian Oleksak**, provided supplies and cared for the seedlings at CCM's greenhouse until ready for transfer to our garden.

With the help of many volunteers, warm season crops were planted, including tomatoes, squash, peppers, cucumbers, beans, eggplant and herbs.

Garden-centered children's educational programs have also been initiated during distribution sessions, and the kids of our clients have had a lot of fun with the scavenger hunt, plant identification, craft projects and planting seeds that they get to take home. Snack time, naturally, involves freshly harvested finger foods straight out of our own garden. One child's excitement bubbled over as she left with her mother, "I just loved that!"

Future plans include expanding the children's programs, as well as developing ways to involve IFP clients who've expressed an interest in helping out with the garden.



A happy participant in our children's garden program with a planter box made by the Marketing Department, **Wyndham Hotel Group**.



BASF volunteers in the IFP Community Garden.

We will be planting fall crops such as swiss chard, squashes and garlic in the recently added raised beds that now line the perimeter of the garden (thanks again, Greg, Andrew and Ian!) and adding an additional compost system. To extend the growing season, plans are in the works for cold frames and 'hoop houses' to shelter cool-weather plants from extreme cold.

All the work in the Garden could not be managed without our wonderful volunteers, both individuals and groups, and we're grateful for them and all their efforts as they plant, weed, trellis, and harvest. Special thanks to the **Morris County Youth Shelter** and **Hilltop Church** of Mendham, who have 'adopted' plots and regularly supply hands to help.

#### **Board of Trustees**

Meets 7 p.m. on third Wednesday of the month

Greg Supron, president Chris MacDonald, vice president Tracey Polifka, secretary Stuart Wiet, treasurer

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Rosemary Gilmartin, executive director

#### Staff

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Diana Garcia, client services associate
Liliana Herrera, client services manager
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#### **Our Mission**

- ▶ To improve the health and well being of Morris County residents in need by providing access to food, nutrition education and related resources.
- ► To provide hands on opportunities for neighbors to help neighbors.
- ► To educate the public about the issues of hunger in our area.

#### Hours

Food Drop-off, Tours & Visitors - Warehouse

2 Executive Drive, Morris Plains

Monday - Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Fridays by appointment

Food Distribution - Main Pantry/Warehouse
2 Executive Drive, Morris Plains

The First Four Weeks of the Month Only
Monday through Thursday 1pm - 3pm
Wednesday 1pm - 3pm & 6pm - 8pm
Saturday 10am - 12noon

1st & 3rd Tues. of each month 6pm - 8pm

Food Distribution - Satellite Pantry

190 Speedwell Ave., Morristown Tuesday 9:30 a.m. - 12 noon Wednesday 9:30 a.m. - 12 noon Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 12 noon

#### Calendar

September 29

Golf Outing - Mount Tabor Country Club

Month of September

McMatch Morris County Food Drive

October 5

Action Against Hunger Food Drive

#### October 16

Volunteer Recognition Potluck Dinner St. Virgil Church, Morris Plains

#### November 27

8th Annual Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot Ginty Field, Morris Township

#### **Statistics**

January 1 - July 31, 2014

Lbs. of food distributed	525,334
Households served	2,970
People fed	6,713
Avg. # households per month	1,211
Avg. # people fed per month	2,887
Avg. lbs. food per month	75,048

#### **United Way**

Sign up time is coming up and we are constantly asked if people can name us to get some of their donations. The answer is YES! While we're not an official member, if your company participates in the United Way program, you can designate the Interfaith Food Pantry to receive your donated funds by writing Interfaith Food Pantry, Morris Plains, on your enrollment form. Thank you all for the help!

Please let us know if you prefer electronic delivery of our newsletter, or to be removed from our mailing list. Call 973-538-8049 or email intertaithfoodpantry@mcifp.org

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Return Service Requested

Intertaith Food Pantry 2 Executive Drive Morris Plains, NJ 07950

#### **SUMMER RENT APPEAL**

The rent and utilities for our Speedwell Avenue, Morristown distribution site is \$2,700/month.

This site is essential for the many clients who walk or rely on public transportation to pick up their food. Can you help?

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Address:			State:	Zip:
Phone # :		E-mail address:		
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