



*"For I was hungry and you gave me food,
I was thirsty and you gave me drink,
a stranger and you welcomed me"
Matthew 25:35*

St. Patrick Hunger Project

P.O. Box 11775 Syracuse, NY 13218 ~ www.stpatrickhungerproject.org ~ info@stpatrickhungerproject.org
To benefit the Syracuse Community network of hunger related agencies.

The St. Patrick Hunger Project Food Drive

The St. Patrick Hunger Project was initiated to help focus the efforts of the community on the need to fight hunger all year long in Syracuse. During the month of March, food supplies are lower and the need is great. The mission of the St. Patrick Hunger Project is to support our community network of hunger-related agencies in meeting the food needs of the individuals and families they serve.

In the first four years of the St. Patrick Hunger Project, approximately 86,000 pounds of non-perishable food has been distributed through the Food Bank of CNY and the Interreligious Food Consortium. The food has been delivered into every area of the community without regard to ethnic background or religious affiliation. In this day and age we have the resources in the community to feed hungry people. It is only a question of how do we get the food to them.

How can your organization or business help with this important community project to feed hungry people in our own neighborhoods?

Host a company food drive. Local businesses can collect donated non-perishable food any time in February until mid-March. The Interreligious Food Consortium distributes all collected food to local food pantries.

Enclosed is a list of where the food was distributed in the community from last year's effort, as well as information on how to participate this year. We will be delivering barrels for food donations and collecting them between February 11 and March 11, 2010.

Make a corporate donation. Monetary donations are preferred by the Food Bank of CNY to purchase food that is then distributed to local food pantries. *All monetary donations are tax deductible and each dollar donated purchases almost two pounds of food for hungry children and families in the area.*

If your business would like to participate in the St. Patrick Hunger Project, please fill out the accompanying form and return as indicated. Information can also be found online at <http://www.stpatrickhungerproject.org>. "Many hands make light work" and the cumulative effect of everyone's effort helps solve the hunger problem in the greater Syracuse community.

On behalf of the St. Patrick Hunger Project and the Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade, please accept our sincerest appreciation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janet Higgins".

Janet Higgins, President
Syracuse St. Patrick's Parade Committee

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Most Rev. Thomas J. Costello".

Most Rev. Thomas J. Costello, Aux. Bishop
Diocese of Syracuse
Honorary Chair, St. Patrick Hunger Project

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The food collected and purchased through the efforts of the 2009 St. Patrick Hunger Project resulted in approximately 44,395 meals distributed by the Food Bank of CNY and the Interreligious Food Consortium to the following 27 food pantries through out the greater Syracuse community:

Cathedral Food Pantry	Catholic Charities - Parkside Commons
Catholic Charities - Vincent House	Catholic Charities Bishop Foery
Dunbar Center	Elmwood Presbyterian Food Pantry
First Presbyterian Food Pantry	Four Square Food Pantry
Grace Episcopal Food Pantry	Holy Trinity Food Pantry
Huntington Family Center	Most Holy Rosary Food Pantry
Mount Carmel Seven Day Food Pantry	North side Neighborhood
PEACE Inc. Baldwinsville	PEACE Inc. Beech Street
PEACE Inc. E Syracuse	Pilgrim Holiness Food Pantry
Salvation Army	Southwest Community Center
St Cecilia's Food Pantry	St Margaret's Food Pantry/ Mattydale
St. John the Baptist Food Pantry	St. Brigid & St. Joseph's Food Pantry
Syracuse Northeast Community Center	University United Food Pantry
Westminster Food Pantry	

St. Patrick Hunger Project Donations

Monetary donations can be sent directly to the St. Patrick Hunger Project Fund, c/o Food Bank of Central New York, Attention: Tom Slater, 6970 Schuyler Road, East Syracuse, New York 13057-9791.

You can donate online using your credit card or PayPal™ at <http://www.stpatrickhungerproject.org>, and click on the **Donate** button.

We thank you for all your support for the St. Patrick Hunger Project!

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The list that follows is the *Food Wish List* of items in most need at the Food Bank of CNY and the Interreligious Food Consortium.

Pasta
Spaghetti Sauce
Instant Potatoes
Canned Fruit
Canned Vegetables
Canned Meat
Cereal
Rice
Gravy
Stuffing
Peanut Butter
Jelly
Tuna Fish
Soup
Dry or shelf stable milk
Pancake Mix
Syrup
Oatmeal
Grits
Boxed Macaroni & Cheese
Baby Formula & Cereal(s)

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The St. Patrick Hunger Project Food Drive Participant Registration Form

Yes! Our organization or business wants to participate in the St. Patrick Hunger Project.

Company Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Contact Person Name: _____ Phone: _____ Ext. _____

Please supply us with _____ collection barrels

We have selected the following dates for our food drive: _____

We would like the barrel(s) delivered on the following date: _____

All barrels will be picked up on Wednesday March 10, 2010 or Thursday, March 11, 2010.

Please return this form to the St. Patrick Hunger Project at Fax: 315-453-0526.

For more information on barrel delivery or pickup, please contact Jesse McCormick by phone, 315-410-1525 x1001, or E-mail, info@stpatrickhungerproject.org.

If you need more information about the St. Patrick Hunger Project or the Food Drive, please feel free to contact our Chairman, below. Information can also be found online at <http://www.stpatrickhungerproject.org>.

Jesse McCormick, Chairman
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