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# Newsletter

## Latest Updates

2022

### **Food Pantry**

Opened February 3rd

On February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022, the Food pantry Opened. Since opening in February, we have been able to serve over 500 people. We have a great community of volunteers who serve with us. Some of the people where so encouraged after receiving food from the pantry that they started volunteering as well. There is a warm and friendly atmosphere, and we are so excited to see people having a great time while they are here getting their food.

The food pantry is continuing to grow every month. We are honored to know that people feel safe when they come here. This has resulted in people sharing about the food pantry with their friends.

The food pantry is open every Thursday from 10am-1pm. We are always in need of donations. If you can even add one thing to your shopping order it will make a difference.

Please see the list of needs at the end of the newsletter. Follow us on Facebook for weekly updates on our food pantry needs.



The picture above is of our volunteers packing a box for a client based upon their needs. The food pantry is open every Thursday from 10am-1pm. Donations can also be dropped off on Thursday between those hours as well. For other hours please contact us for available times



The picture above is of our building just before the grand opening.

## **New Location in Barnegat**

The Latest updates on the Starve Poverty Facility

The Starve Poverty Facility is open and doing well. Along the way we have had a few setbacks but that has not stopped us. We have been able to run our day-to-day operations out of the building and open the food pantry. This has all been so exciting. Of course, this does not come without its challenges, the facility has been flooded twice. We had a burst pipe up in the attic. This flooded most of the inside of the building. This was so devastating to us especially since the food pantry was going to open in three days for the very first time. We were so encouraged by the team of people who rallied around us to help get the building cleaned and repaired in time for the food pantry to open as planned.

Most of the renovations have been completed. There are just few things to go. We are getting a single store front door with two sidelights donated. This will be installed within the next month.

We have been able to cut away the foundation and put in a concrete slab in preparation for the door to go in. In weeks to come we will cut away the siding and put in the framing needed for the door.

We have been blessed by all the people who have been here to volunteer their time and make this all possible. Without them, we would not have been able to get any of this accomplished.

To our volunteers "You are Making a Difference". Thank you for your countless hours of service. We have been able to get the outside and inside of the building cleaned up in time for our grand opening. Thank you to all who made this a possibility.

In future picture you will be able to see that we taped the outline of the door where it will be to let everyone know what is to come. We have been able to get our logo and canvas images sharing out history with everyone who walks through our doors.

### **Grand Opening**

May 21st

The Grand Opening was a great day. We enjoyed being able to share what we do with our community

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## **Local Projects**

What's Next?

Completed a project installing new entry and storm door. Two more projects are getting scheduled and two youth workdays in June.

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## **How You Can Make a** Difference!

**Current Needs** 

There are many ways you could help, if you interested in seeing how you can make a difference please turn to the following page.

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## **Grand Opening**

May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022

On Saturday May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022, we had our grand opening. This was a wonderful day. We were so excited by the turn out. It was a hot day but with a shade of tent snow cone treats and cold drinks everyone was able to enjoy and have a great time.

At the event we had a bounce house, face painting, snow cones, popcorn, pig roast, BBQ, antique cars, and live music.

Everyone was well entertained from adults to kids, there was something for everyone.

We were encouraged have Ocean Country Commissioner Bobbi Jo Crea, U.S. Congressman Andy Kim's Constituent Advocate Gaby Hartny, and Barnegat Township Committeeman Al Bille in our ribbon cutting ceremony. Everyone shared a few words the Congressman Kim's office provided us with a Certificate of Congressional Recognition.

This was accepted with honor on behalf of Thank you to all who made this possible! Starve Poverty International.

The event started at 11that morning with a brief brake at noon for the ribbon cutting. The music continued after as everyone ate and enjoyed.

We were encouraged by seeing faces we have not seen in years and blessed to meet so many new faces. We cannot wait for what is to come next.

We want to take a moment and thank all our volunteers who were willing to serve at the event. For without you we could not have had such a successful outcome. Thank you to those who donated time, energy, machines for snow cones and popcorn, the pig roaster. All of this made a difference.

Starve Poverty was most excited to be able to share with so many our story. Where we stated and how far we have come.



The picutre above is from out ribbon cutting ceremony on May 21st, 2022. People listed above from left to right: Ocean County Commissioner Bobbi Jo Crea, U. S. Congressman Andy Kim's Constituent Advocate Gaby Hartney, Ron Fraser Founder & CEO of Starve Poverty, and Barnegat Twonship Committeeman Albert Bille.



The pictures above are of a local project that we completed in March, installing an entry and storm door for a local woman.

# **Local Projects**

The latest updates to get you through the day

In March we completed a local project of installing an entry door and storm door for a local woman.

We have several projects that will be getting vetted so we can plan to move forward.

We are excited for the opportunity to those who are in need and excited for the opportunity to bless them.

Our Local projects are not just repairs but also helping the schools build buddy benches with some so of the local youth, giving them real life practical experiences.

We have plans to put together another project with the youth over the summer. The details are still in the planning stage. We are so encouraged when we get to take time and teach young adult valuable life skills.

#### **Summer in Winter Carnival**

Put on by Causeway Cares

We were grateful for the opportunity to be included in the Summer in Winter Carnival put on by Causeway Cares. This was a great event. We enjoyed getting the chance to meet other local non-profit organizations who have the same or similar desires to help the local community.

This was a great opportunity for Starve Poverty to reconnect with some people whom we have lost touch with over the years but also to meet many new faces that we can share our passions with and connect to help make a difference.

Starve Poverty has been able to be in touch with a few of these local organizations who we can refer others too and vis a versa. Having these connections give us the ability to serve more people.



The picture above is the booth that Starve Poverty set up at the Summer in Winter Carnical.

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#### **How You Can Make a Difference**

**Current Needs** 



The picture above is of our work trailer. We are in need of tow vehicle so we can safely tow the trailer to Kentucky as well as to local projects.

How can you make a difference? There are so many ways to make a difference in someone's life.

Time is always a great way. You can get connected with our local food pantry or you can help with local project and ministering to the family's we are helping.

Donating is another way you make a difference. You can donate food to the food pantry or can make a monetary donation.

There are many ways to be involved with Starve Poverty. If you want to find more ways to be involved, please go to our website at Starvepoverty.org and go to our forms section and fill out our "Volunteer application". You will be contacted to get plugged in where you best fit. This will also get you on our email list so that you will be kept up to date with everything happening within the organization.

Without our volunteers we would not be able to help those in need. If you think this is something, you would be interested in please don't hesitate to reach out.

#### **How To Donate**

Many Ways to Help

- 1. Monthly Donations
- 2. One-Time Monetary Donation
- 3. Food Donations
- 4. Time by volunteering to serve

If you can help in any of these ways, please go to our website and go our forms section you can sign up to serve or there are links to donate. You can also mail a check to our mailing address at 6 Norwick Dr. Forked River, NJ 08731.

"You Can Make A Difference."



The picture above is of one of our volunteers helping us put a roof on home in need.



The picture above is of the building just before out grand opening started with the ribbon cutting set up.

# **Closing**

Thank You

Closing. Thank you to all who served and donate

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**BOB:** Please insert a picture above of the building that you think looks the best for a closing

