

Grateful for the Growth. Empowered for the Mission.

Dear Friends,

As we enter the fall season, we do so with tremendous gratitude for the people, partnerships, and opportunities that continue to help Starve Poverty International grow. At the heart of our mission is empowerment—coming alongside our neighbors with practical support, meaningful human connection, and the encouragement they need to move forward with dignity and hope. Together, we are not simply meeting immediate needs; we are helping individuals and families recognize their strength, see new possibilities, and take steps toward a brighter future.

This summer reminded us that growth happens when people come together with a shared purpose. Our annual picnic strengthened the relationships that make SPI feel like a family. Our new partnership with Camp Meeting opened the door to greater collaboration, while our Leadership Foundations meeting equipped our leaders to connect, inspire, deliver, and celebrate. By investing in our volunteers and leaders, we empower them to serve with compassion, lead with confidence, and help others understand that their contributions truly matter.

As we prepare to serve our neighbors throughout the fall and holiday season, we are grateful for the new resources that will increase our ability to help—including refrigeration, freezer space, and shelving made possible through a Fulfill grant, as well as our new storage container. These improvements represent more than additional space and equipment; they represent greater opportunity to provide food, encouragement, and hope to those who need it most. With your continued support, we will keep growing, serving, and empowering our neighbors as we work together to break the chains of poverty.

With gratitude,
Ron Fraser
Founder & CEO

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2026 IMPACT AT A GLANCE

January–August

118,147
POUNDS OF FOOD DISTRIBUTED

98,464
MEALS PROVIDED

8,820
INDIVIDUALS IMPACTED

5,848
VOLUNTEER HOURS

25
URGENT HOME REPAIRS COMPLETED

Every number represents a neighbor served, a family strengthened, and hope put into action.

Compared with the same period in 2025, SPI distributed 21% more food, served 37% more families, and recorded nearly 50% more volunteer hours.

WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

SPI IS FUNDED ENTIRELY BY DONATIONS AND GRANTS — we don't sell anything!

The diversity of nutritious foods, urgent home repairs, and disaster relief we provide is made possible by the generous support of our allies—both through time and donations. If you would like to financially support SPI, simply scan the QR code to make a secure online donation or mail a check payable to Starve Poverty International to: 99 Route 72, Barnegat, NJ 08005

Together, we can turn generosity into action and continue breaking the chains of poverty—one neighbor, one family, and one community at a time. *"You can make a difference."*



A SUMMER OF CONNECTION

Celebrating the people behind our mission

A DAY OF COMMUNITY, CONNECTION & JOY

Our SPI Annual Summer Picnic was truly a day to remember! With beautiful weather and an incredible turnout of more than 150 neighbors, volunteers, friends, and supporters, the day was a wonderful reminder of what makes the SPI community so special.

There was something for everyone to enjoy—from great food and music to face painting, laughter, conversation, and plenty of time simply being together. But what made the day most meaningful wasn't the activities—it was the fellowship and connection shared among the people who make our mission possible.

Throughout the year, we work side by side to serve our neighbors and help meet needs within our community. The picnic gave us an opportunity to slow down, enjoy one another, strengthen relationships, and celebrate the incredible community that has grown around SPI.

More than 150 people. One community. One shared heart for serving others.

MADE POSSIBLE BY OUR COMMUNITY

A special thank you to the local businesses, community partners, and individuals who helped make our Summer Picnic possible.

Our community showed up in so many ways—providing tents, tables and chairs, gift cards, food and supplies, along with a talented face painter who generously donated her time and musicians who shared their talents through live music throughout the day.

To everyone who helped make the day possible—thank you for sharing your generosity, your talents, and your heart for our community.



GROWING THROUGH PARTNERSHIP

Building connections that expand our reach.

A NEW PARTNERSHIP WITH CHESTER HEIGHTS CAMP MEETING

Starve Poverty International is excited to begin a new partnership with Chester Heights Camp Meeting, creating another meaningful opportunity to put our mission into action—this time, closer to home.

Our mission teams will be traveling to Chester Heights to help restore one of the camp's cottages, bringing the same spirit of service, teamwork, and compassion that our volunteers carry into every SPI mission project. More than simply repairing a building, this project is about helping preserve a place where people can gather, pray, connect, and grow in their faith.

We see this as the beginning of something much bigger. Chester Heights offers SPI an opportunity to expand our mission work closer to home, giving more volunteers the chance to use their time and talents to make a difference. It also provides a beautiful setting where our leaders can come together for future meetings, reflection, fellowship, and continued growth.



Partnerships like this allow us to do more than complete projects—they help us build relationships, strengthen communities, and empower people to serve. Together, we can create places where both people and purpose can grow.

Want to learn more about Chester Heights Camp Meeting and its rich history?

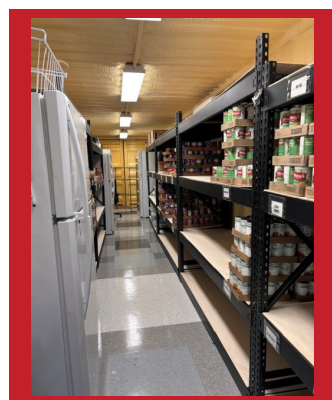
Click on the link: <https://www.chesterheightscampmeeting.org>



BUILDING FOR GREATER IMPACT

Strengthening today. Preparing for tomorrow.

Growth brings opportunity—and it also requires the right resources to meet the needs of the people we serve. Through the generosity of Fulfill, SPI has been able to strengthen our Food Pantry with new refrigeration, freezer capacity, and shelving. Along with our new storage container, these improvements give us additional space to safely store food and supplies, stay better organized, and make the most of the donations and resources entrusted to us. Each improvement helps us build the capacity we need to serve our neighbors more efficiently and effectively.

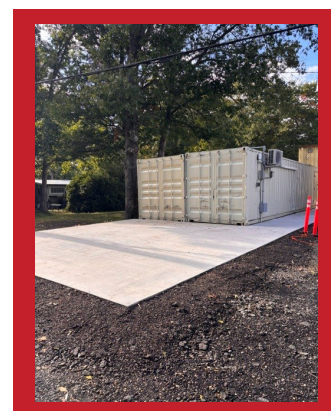


We are also excited about the addition of a new concrete pad located at the end of our storage containers, made possible largely through the generosity of those who donated materials, time, and resources to the project. This new space will make an immediate difference when receiving and managing deliveries, providing a more functional area for our team to unload, organize, and move supplies. Our future goal is to add a metal canopy over the pad, creating a protected, multipurpose workspace that can be used throughout the year.

But our vision for this space goes beyond storage and deliveries. Beginning in the spring, we hope to use the new area to introduce vocational training opportunities, creating another way for SPI to empower people through practical skills, learning, and hands-on

experience. What began as a need for additional space is becoming an opportunity to expand our impact.

We are extremely grateful for all the volunteers who donated time and materials for these two important projects!



The work of SPI is made possible by people who choose to get involved. Whether you give your time, share resources, make a donation, or simply help spread awareness, your support helps us reach more families and respond to growing needs throughout our community.

To learn more, scan the QR code, visit www.starvepoverty.org, call 609-249-5392, or stop by our facility located at: 99 Route 72, Barnegat, NJ 08005.

Together, we are building stronger communities through compassion, service, and hope.



INVESTING IN OUR PEOPLE

Growing together. Leading with purpose.

At SPI, we believe that investing in our mission means investing in the people who lead it.

This fall, our leadership team came together for a dedicated Leadership Meeting focused on strengthening how we **Lead Ourselves, Lead Together, and Lead the Mission**. Our **Foundations Leadership Program** will continue to grow as we provide ongoing development for our current leaders and establish a consistent training process to prepare and support every new leader who steps into a leadership role at SPI.

The meeting also gave our leaders valuable time to step away from the day-to-day work of serving and come together as one team with one mission. Through conversation, reflection, and shared learning, we strengthened relationships, exchanged ideas, and renewed our commitment to leading with purpose. As SPI continues to grow, these opportunities will remain an important part of how we develop our people, strengthen our teams, and ensure our leaders are equipped to guide others while keeping our mission at the heart of everything we do.

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Leading the way through service

One leader making a tremendous impact is **Jim Gagnon**, our Urgent Home Repairs Manager. Under Jim's leadership, the Urgent Home Repairs team has already completed 25 repairs, helping neighbors facing critical home needs that they may not have been able to address on their own. Behind every completed repair is more than a project—it is a neighbor who can feel safer and more secure in their home because people were willing to step forward and help.

As requests for assistance continue, we are looking for additional volunteers to join Jim and the Urgent Home Repairs team. Whether you have construction or repair experience, enjoy working with your hands, or simply have a willingness to serve, there is a place for you. By growing this team, we can respond to more needs and continue making a meaningful difference—**one home and one neighbor at a time**.



CELEBRATING OUR PEOPLE

Serve together. Laugh together. Celebrate together. Grow together.

At SPI, we believe the people who give so much of themselves deserve to be celebrated, too. Whether we're recognizing birthdays, sharing a special milestone, enjoying lunch together, or simply taking a moment to laugh and connect, these moments remind us that SPI is more than a place to volunteer—it's a community.

We are grateful for every person who walks through our doors ready to serve. Taking time to celebrate one another strengthens the friendships, fellowship, and sense of belonging that make our volunteer family so special.

And there is always room for more people to become part of that community. Whether you have a few hours to help in our Food Pantry, enjoy working with your hands on an Urgent Home Repair project, want to support a special event, or have a skill or talent you would like to share, there are many ways to serve alongside us. You don't have to be an expert—you simply need a willingness to help and a heart for others.

Come alongside us. Serve with us. Be part of the impact.

Together, we can continue building hope, strengthening our community, and making a difference—one neighbor at a time.

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