

Dear Parishioners,

Our Community Center of Northern Westchester turned their operations inside out and significantly increased the amount of food distributed during Phase 1 of Covid-19. Staff and volunteers worked tirelessly to accomplish this effort.

During their 30 years of operations the CCNW has never let down our neighbors-in-need. Clare Murray, Executive Director, always speaks about the dignity of the people who utilize their services. The CCNW recognizes that people want to improve their lives; be able to work and be self-sufficient. That is why they also provide help with clothing and extensive job training programs.

PLEASE:

DONATE supplemental groceries to our monthly food drives.

St. Patrick's Monthly Food Donations

June - 690.1 pounds

July - 250+ pounds (estimated)

August - 198.1 pounds

September - 316.6 pounds (and 42.7 pounds of clothing)

PARTICIPATE in our monthly food drives by packing and delivering the groceries (about 2 hours, once a month).

CONTRIBUTE directly to the CCNW through their website, www.communitycenternw.org

Join the Community Circle:

CCNW's food pantry is the heart of its mission. As food insecurity has grown exponentially during the Coronavirus crisis, we are now *servicing over 2,500 families* who are struggling to make ends meet and count on our supplemental food during their times of distress. Given the unsettled times, we want to be certain we will never have to turn away any neighbor in need due to a shortage in our food supply.

- While a third of the food needed to meet the demand is generously donated, the remaining two thirds we purchase from Feeding Westchester and other wholesalers. Even though we are buying at discounted prices, we are still *faced with spending \$300,000 directly on food this year* to meet the growing needs of our community, not including the operating costs required to provide this essential service.

Become a Community Champion:

- A Community Champion is someone who wants to make a lasting impact on the lives of those we serve by becoming a monthly sustaining donor.

\$10/month
\$120 a year



= A week's worth of food for a family of 4 in Northern Westchester

\$25/month
\$300 annually



= New school supplies for twelve local school children in grades K-12

\$50/month
\$600 annually



= Job skills training for 3 adults looking to gain economic stability

\$100/month
\$1,200 annually



= A shopping cart full of groceries each month for a local family

This year-round commitment assures that the Community Center will have the valuable funding needed to keep our doors open to all who come to us for help. On behalf of the Community Center, thank you for all your contributions to date! We are not out of the woods yet, please continue to help!

Diane Bamford
St. Patrick's Community Representative to the Community Center