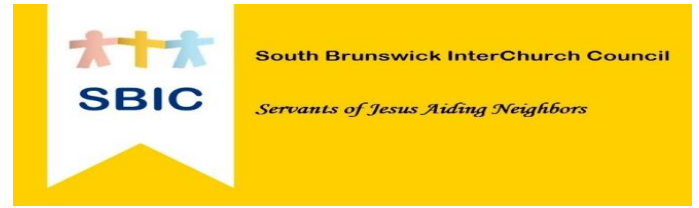


SBIC MESSENGER
South Brunswick Interchurch Council
Monthly Newsletter – October 2023



UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2023:

- CROP Hunger Walk (Nov. 5), Deb Claxton, Coordinator. Still waiting for supplies. Letters are currently being delivered to potential sponsors. Sponsorships need to be received by October 22 to have their names on the t-shirts.

THE LORDS FOOD PANTRY STATS FOR	
September 2023	
Number of People Served (Includes TEFAP)	
Children	607
Adults	755
Seniors	539
Total	1,901

SoundHouse Purchase

The SBIC has made an offer to purchase the SoundHouse. Two banks are working on a loan. The SBIC is working on a plan for a Capital Campaign. An appraisal has been ordered.

Proposed Shared Use of Building by New Beginnings

The SBIC is waiting for another meeting with New Beginnings.

PORCH – The Lords Food Pantry received 3,902 pounds of food in September from the PORCH collection.

Grants – No grants received in September. The SBIC has been awarded a \$2,000 Landfall Grant and will receive it in November. The SBIC applied for an Ocean Ridge grant for \$3,997 for Christmas boxes.

Healthy Opportunities Pilot Program (HOP)

We delivered 46 HOP boxes in September.

BSRI Parking Lot Closed –May 18 and September 27, 2024.

The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)

In September, we served 110 families, or 393 individuals (123 children, 169 adults, and 101 seniors).

Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)

We received 80 boxes in September. We distributed 78 boxes on September 9, and 2 on September 16.

Brunswick Wellness Coalition Steps Up

We are periodically receiving Brunswick Wellness Coalition food boxes (similar to Senior boxes) and are receiving produce at the Food Bank through this program.

Check us out at our website:
www.the.lordsfoodpantry.org

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Miles for Meals

Coastal Race Productions is partnering with the SBIC to collect food as Miles for Meals. The SBIC will have a booth the day before race day and runners will bring food when they pick up their race packet. This will be monthly from October 2023 through April 2024 and then begin again in October 2024.

Holiday Meals

Churches were asked to provide items to fill 160 Thanksgiving Dinner Boxes. Packing will be done at 10:00 a.m. on November 17, with distribution on November 18. A flyer has also been distributed to the churches asking for \$20 to help defray the costs of turkeys, hams, pies, and rolls.

General Federation Women’s Club Visits Pantry

The SBIC recently welcomed several members of the General Federation Women’s Club to visit and tour The Lords Food Pantry. They were able to see Pantry volunteers in action as they distributed food. As part of their visit, they donated over 300 pounds of food and made a \$2,000 donation to the Pantry to support the SBIC’s mission. Many thanks to the Club!



The next Executive Committee Meeting will be held on November 13 at 10:00 a.m. at The Lords Food Pantry, 3610 Express Drive, Shallotte. Masks are optional.

The next General Board Meeting will be held on November 20 at 10:00 a.m. at The Lords Food Pantry, 3610 Express Drive, Shallotte. Masks are optional.

