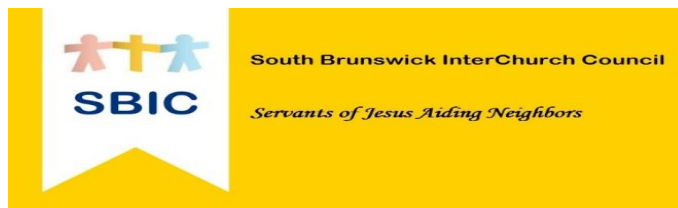


**SBIC MESSENGER**  
**South Brunswick Interchurch Council**  
**Monthly Newsletter – April 2023**



Providing Help and Hope Since 1981

**SBIC LOOKING FOR VOAD VOLUNTEERS**

The SBIC is looking for volunteers for a Volunteer Organization After Disaster (VOAD) Working Group. This group would work in conjunction with the Southport Interchurch Council to develop a strategy to use our respective spaces to assist with post-disaster recovery in terms of feeding people. If you have any skills, experience, or interest in emergency management, please contact Mike Claxton, SBIC President, as soon as possible at [mikeclaxton50@gmail.com](mailto:mikeclaxton50@gmail.com). The meetings will be mostly held via Zoom.

**UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2023:**

- Mini-Golf Tournament (Apr. 29), Jim and Peggy Antunes, Coordinators.
- Pancake Breakfast (Tentatively May), Janet and Eric Dunkelberger, Coordinators.
- Sunset @ Sunset (Oct. 7), Coordinator needed.
- CROP Hunger Walk (Nov. 5), Coordinator needed as soon as possible.
- Chick-fil-A Fundraiser (Date TBD), Joan Bradshaw and Mary Russell, Coordinators.

<b>THE LORDS FOOD PANTRY STATS FOR</b>	
<b>March 2023</b>	
<b>Number of People Served (Includes TEFAP)</b>	
<b>Children</b>	<b>262</b>
<b>Adults</b>	<b>466</b>
<b>Seniors</b>	<b>357</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,085</b>

**SHARING SPACE WITH NEW HOPE CLINIC**

The Lords Food Pantry will begin sharing a small part of its space in May with New Hope Clinic on Wednesday afternoons from 1:00-4:00 p.m.

**PORCH** – The Lords Food Pantry received 3,653 pounds of food in March from the PORCH collection.

**Grants** – The SBIC received two grants in March:

- Cannon Foundation - \$18,000
- Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) – \$4,000

**Check us out at our website:**  
[www.thelordsfoodpantry.org](http://www.thelordsfoodpantry.org)

**The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)**

In March, we served 96 families, or 300 individuals (69 children, 131 adults, and 100 seniors).

**Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)**

We received 70 boxes in March. We distributed 59 boxes on March 11, and 11 on March 18.

**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.

**Healthy Opportunities Pilot Program (HOP)**

We delivered 31 HOP boxes in March.

**Easter Breakfast Bags Packed**

A total of 110 Easter Breakfast Bags were packed at The Lords Food Pantry on Friday, April 7, and 106 of them were distributed on Saturday, April 8. The bags contained pancake mix, syrup, juice boxes, ham, eggs, grapes, and oranges.



L-R: Tim Campbell, Tori Campbell, Barbara Freeman, Gary Freeman, Alyssa Campbell, Ruth Ann Campbell, and Jon Freeman.

**The next General Board Meeting will be held on April 17 at 10:00 a.m. at The Lords Food Pantry, 3610 Express Drive, Shallotte. Masks are optional.**

**The next Executive Committee Meeting will be held on May 8 at 10:00 a.m. at The Lords Food Pantry, 3610 Express Drive, Shallotte. Masks are optional.**