# SBIC MESSENGER South Brunswick Interchurch Council Monthly Newsletter – May 2023

# SBIC LOOKING FOR VOAD VOLUNTEERS

The SBIC is looking for volunteers for a Volunteer Organization After Disaster (VOAD) Working Group to work with the Southport Oak Island Interchurch Fellowship. This ad hoc group held its initial meeting on April 24 to discuss our two Interchurch Councils developing a plan to help with feeding sites after a disaster. The group is compiling a list of churches with commercial-like kitchens where emergency food preparation could be made. The group will meet again at the end of May. If you have any skills, experience, or interest in emergency management, please contact Mike Claxton, SBIC President, as soon as possible at <a href="mikeclaxton50@gmail.com">mikeclaxton50@gmail.com</a>. The meetings will be mostly held via Zoom.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2023:**

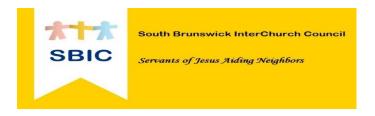
- Chick-fil-A Fundraiser (May 25, 5-7 p.m.), Joan Bradshaw and Mary Russell, Coordinators.
- Pancake Breakfast (Date TBD), Janet and Eric Dunkelberger, Coordinators.
- CROP Hunger Walk (Nov. 5), Coordinator needed as soon as possible.

THE LORDS FOOD PANTRY STATS FOR	
April 2023	
Number of People Served (Includes TEFAP)	
Children	434
Adults	607
Seniors	475
Total	1,516

**PORCH** – The Lords Food Pantry received 2,353 pounds of food in April from the PORCH collection.

<u>Grants</u> – The SBIC received two grants in April:

- NCCF (Angel) \$4,000
- Catherine Kennedy Foundation \$8,500



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The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) In April, we served 85 families, or 262 individuals (76 children, 103 adults, and 83 seniors).

## Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)

We received 80 boxes in April. We distributed 59 boxes on April 15, 20 on April 22, and 1 on April 29.

## **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 28 HOP boxes in April.

#### Mini-Golf Tournament Fundraiser

The Mini-Golf Tournament was held on April 29 at Tribal Island in Little River, SC, with 28 players and netted \$4,738.39. Thank you to Jim and Peggy Antunes for coordinating another successful event.

### Thank You, Thank You, Thank You

Many thanks to Rob and Martha Mynhier who purchased and spread mulch on the plant beds at The Lords Food Pantry.

The next General Board Meeting will be held on May 15 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 June 12 at 10:00 a.m. at The Lords Food Pantry, 3610 Express Drive, Shallotte. Masks are optional.

Check us out at our website: www.thelordsfoodpantry.org