

# PhilabundanceNews

Driving Hunger From Our Community

 Summer 2009

## President's Message

Dear Friends,

First of all, let me thank you—*all of you*—for all that you are doing to help feed those in need. We've heard from—and continue to hear from—so many different parts of our Delaware Valley community. And let me be really clear about this. It takes all of us working together in all different kinds of ways to make a difference in the lives of our neighbors struggling to put food on their table each day.



I find myself both amazed and grateful for our community's response. There's a 7 year old who decided she needed to hold a Food Drive. And collected 440 pounds of food all on her own. There are folks who are struggling themselves, but tell us they have to give to help people "worse off" than they are. So many local schools are finding creative ways to get involved and make a difference.

More than ever, businesses are holding Food and Fund Drives. And this year, the Philadelphia Inquirer issued its challenge of "180,000 Pounds of Food in 180 Days." SEPTA asked their employees and the riding public to "Stop Hunger at Your Station." The Delaware Valley also benefits from corporate partnerships worked out by Feeding America. You'll read about one inside this newsletter.

As you probably remember, I shared our plans for our Emergency Relief Initiative with you in the last newsletter. I have to tell you that the response to these programs from the people who need help has been really positive. Having an Emergency Box to tide them over until they can get to a local food cupboard and putting fresh fruits and veggies on the table again because of Fresh For All has meant the world to so many hungry families throughout our service area.

We're glad we can provide that safety net to help people until they can get back on their feet. And we're glad that you continue to partner with us to make what we do possible.

Thanks again for all of your generosity these past few months. We look forward to continuing this work with you in the coming months.

Sincerely,

William J. Clark  
President and Executive Director

## Upcoming Events!

### Hunger Action Month, September 2009

See Page 2 for the month's events.

### Sandwich Smash 2009

October 4, 2009,  
5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Park Hyatt, Philadelphia

### Bruce Springsteen Concert

October 13, 14, 19 and  
20, 2009

Wachovia Spectrum

For more information about any of these events, please check our website.

[www.philabundance.org](http://www.philabundance.org)

## Our Mission!

Philabundance works to end hunger and malnutrition in the Delaware Valley by acquiring food and distributing it through organizations serving people in need.

 **Food Help Line**  
**800.319.FOOD**  
a Philabundance program

### Main Office

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# Volunteer Corner

## Volunteers Needed for the Following Programs:

### Fresh For All

We're looking for folks to help at the following sites:

**Cheltenham, PA.** Fridays, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Philadelphia (Lawncrest area), PA.** Thursdays, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

**Upper Darby, PA.** Fridays, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

**Woodlyn, PA.** Fridays, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

**Glassboro, NJ.** Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

**Lindenwold, NJ.** Saturdays, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

**Paulsboro, NJ.** Thursdays, 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Locations of all of our sites can be found on Page 3 of this newsletter.

Volunteers hours begin and end a half hour before and after distribution hours. Volunteer duties range from lifting and unloading to registration and check-in, so there is something for everyone.

For more information on either of these opportunities, or to sign up to volunteer, please contact Jan Barnett by phone at (215) 339-0900, ext. 310, by email at [jbarnett@philabundance.org](mailto:jbarnett@philabundance.org) or through our website, [www.philabundance.org](http://www.philabundance.org).



### The Gleaning Program Pilot

Help increase our supply of nutritious fruits and vegetables!

Philabundance is looking for a pool of individuals and groups interested in either of the following:

- Harvesting or collecting fruits and vegetables (picking apples, corn, cucumbers, etc.) from local farms
- Packing produce into boxes in our warehouse.

Volunteers must be:

- 12 years or older
- Able to lift 20-50 pounds at a time
- Comfortable being outdoors in the heat
- Able to provide their own transportation to local farms and/or orchards.

**Please Note:** Gleaning Volunteers will be called when there is a gleaning opportunity available. These calls may be made on short notice, subject to arrangements with our gleaning sites.

## Hunger Action Month—September 2009

As of press time, the following events are scheduled for this year's Hunger Action Month.

**Redner's Family Markets "Bag Hunger".** With a headstart on August 30<sup>th</sup>, this event takes place through October 3<sup>rd</sup> at area Redner's Markets. Customers can donate \$1 at check-out to help "Bag Hunger" in their community.

**Macy's Hosts the Largest Dinner Party.** The First Course will be hosted at your local Macy's on September 15<sup>th</sup>. Customers can find out about Philabundance and the Party, and will be asked to *Come Together* to hold a charity dinner party, or donate at the store. Macy's will match customer donations dollar for dollar up to 10 million meals nationwide.

**Join Chef Todd English at the Center City Macy's** on September 16<sup>th</sup>, and *Come Together* to help Philabundance and Feeding America fight hunger in our community. Chef English will host a demonstration and tasting of Mediterranean foods. All proceeds will be given to Philabundance.

**Squash Hunger Day.** September 19<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Join Philabundance at Springdale Farms in Cherry Hill to raise hunger awareness in your community, and enjoy fun activities. Music, face painters, balloon animals, and clowns. Bring a canned food donation to help your neighbors in need.

**Harvester of Hope Award.** TBD. Join us for the 4<sup>th</sup> annual Harvester of Hope Awards to honor Delaware Valley community members whose actions help drive hunger from our community.

For up-to-date information on Hunger Action Month events, please check our website, [www.philabundance.org](http://www.philabundance.org).

# Happenings

## St. Peter's School, Philadelphia May, 2009

Celebrating their 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade classes raised over 10,000 pounds of food for the Philadelphia Inquirer's "180,000 Pounds in 180 Days Food Drive." Campbell Soup Company donated an additional 10,400 pounds to match.



St. Peter's students and faculty proudly pose with their school seal.

## SEPTA's "Stop Hunger at Your Station" Food Drive June 1-15, 2009

Their first ever Philabundance Food Drive collected 18,560 pounds of food from riders, employees and other community members, making it the second largest food drive this year so far.



SEPTA staff gather to load food on their specially wrapped "Stop Hunger at Your Station" bus.

## Help 'Bar Hunger' with SNICKERS and Feeding America July 14, 2009 to December 31, 2009

Snickers® is teaming up with Feeding America to 'Bar Hunger'. As part of this campaign, SNICKERS will donate the equivalent of at least three million meals to Feeding America in 2009 to help food banks just like Philabundance.

SNICKERS also will use special branding—"Bar Hunger" SNICKERS bars are available in local stores—and educational packaging, dedicated national advertising, a presence on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/snickers](http://www.facebook.com/snickers)) and a series of events throughout the year to educate people about hunger, and inspire people to take action to help.

For more information about the campaign, please visit their Facebook page.



### NJ Locations

#### Camden

##### St. John Baptist Church

400 N. 30th Street, Camden 08105  
Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

#### Edgewater Park

##### Abundant Life Fellowship

5151 Rt. 130 S, Edgewater Park 08010  
Tuesdays, 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

#### Salem

##### St. John's Pentecostal Outreach

22 New Market Street, Salem 08079  
Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

#### Paulsboro

##### Paulsboro Moose Lodge

402 Cook Avenue, Paulsboro 08066  
Thursdays, 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

#### Glassboro

##### Glassboro VFW

275 Wilmer Street, Glassboro 08028  
Saturdays, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

#### Lindenwold

##### PATCO Station

801 Berlin Road North, Lindenwold 08021  
Saturdays, 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

### PA Locations

#### Cheltenham

##### Berachah Church

400 Ashbourne Road, Cheltenham, 19124  
Fridays, 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

#### Philadelphia

##### Houseman Recreation Center

Summerdale and Godfrey Avenues  
Philadelphia 19124  
Thursdays, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

#### Upper Darby

##### Christ Lutheran Community Church

7240 Walnut Street, Upper Darby 19082  
Fridays, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

#### Woodlyn

##### Delaware County Housing Authority

1825 Constitution Ave., Woodlyn 19094  
Fridays, 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

**Open rain or shine!**

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## Ways You Can Help Drive Hunger from the Delaware Valley



### Financial Donation

- Make a gift in your name by check, telephone or on the web
- Make a gift in honor of someone else and/or a special occasion, or in memory of someone
- Hold a Fund Drive or a Penny Drive
- Become a Monthly Donor
- Ask your employer to match your gift in full or in part
- Support your local Employee Giving Campaign, and designate your gift to Philabundance.
- Some donor choice numbers are listed below:  
*United Way of SEPA* 05547  
*Philadelphia Area Combined Federal Campaign* 70046  
*City Campaign Number* 11-05547  
*State Campaign Number* 4101-05547
- Hold an event to benefit Philabundance
- Ask your club, church or other organization to make a gift



### Stock Donation



### Planned Giving



### Tell a Friend



### Volunteer

- Go to [www.philabundance.org](http://www.philabundance.org) for more information about volunteer opportunities, and/or to fill out your volunteer application.

## See what's fresh at our website!



### Add a Charity Badge to Your Website



### Sign up for FreshNews

- Our monthly e-newsletter

**For all the latest news, please visit [www.philabundance.org](http://www.philabundance.org)**

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