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#Community Helping Community

A COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY SERVING LOCAL FAMILIES IN NEED

EMPOWERING STUDENTS—ENRICHING LIVES

"One child, one teacher, one book, one pen can change the world." - Malala Yousafzai

Each Fall, beyond the essentials of food and clothing, Outreach House collects and distributes the supplies students need to experience a successful school opening. In 2023, with the community's help, we provided school-requested supplies to 122 local area students...an increase of 30 students over the previous year. These students ranged from preschool-age to high school seniors.

As anyone with school-age children knows the list of needed supplies provided by a child's school can be extensive. This is an added expense for families already struggling to make ends meet. To assist with this yearly expense Outreach House provides backpacks for students in our registered households. Selecting from our shelves the student or a parent can then fill the selected backpack with items required by the student's particular school.

Our 2024 collection runs from July 1 to August 11. With your support, we can again help local students by providing the tools they need to ensure a successful year.









EMPOWERING STUDENTS

School Supply Drive

Help us collect the supplies students need to start off the new school year! The following items may be dropped off on the porch in the white gated area.

Collection ends Sunday, August II





ENRICHING LIVES

To paraphrase an African proverb, "It takes the community to provide for our local neighbors in need." Outreach House operates through the generous support of our community...individuals, other churches, service organizations, sports clubs, and local businesses. This generous giving allows us to provide food, clothing, and (at the end of each summer) school supplies for our clients.

Here are just a few of the community groups or businesses that have shared their time and treasure with us recently. We thank them and everyone who makes it possible to keep our doors open and our shelves stocked.













Ways to Donate

Special Request— Fundraising Opportunities

Outreach House is looking for ways to supplement our in-kind donations with dollars.

If you are aware of grant opportunities, or ways that we could work with a business or organization to raise funds, please contact us at **610-489-3481** or **outreachhouse@stjames-episcopal.org**



There are so many ways that you can help!

- Monetary Donations—scan the QR Code below to make an instant monetary donation to the St. James' Outreach House to help with the purchase of food and supplies for our clients.
- Organize a Drive—whether you focus on a particular product such as canned goods, paper goods or personal care items, or you hold a general drive, every single donation helps a local family in need.
- Volunteer—you can also donate your time to help stock shelves, assist clients and mark clothing for recycling or for the shelves. All are welcome to lend a hand!
- Recycle—believe it or not we can recycle your old clothing, towels, sheets and shoes and turn them into money for the purchase of food and products to stock our shelves! This is a win-win option because it also prevents those items from going to a landfill. Just mark your donation "Recycle" and place in our donation area. We will handle the rest!



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