



27th Annual Food Drive Success

For 27 years now we have been holding our Annual Food Drive in June to raise food, funds and awareness for our neighbors who suffer from food insecurity. Summer is typically a tough time for families due to the loss of school provided meals, and 2020 was like a year-long summer! More families visited our food pantry for the first time in 2020 than ever before. There was an estimated 300% increase in first time clients! This year we held our food & essentials drive at Shaw's Supermarket on West Boylston St. Staff and volunteers were there in person on June 12th & 13th raising awareness and collecting food & monetary donations. We were so grateful to have Colleen from K-LOVE Radio there providing positive and encouraging music, games and giveaways!! (Cont.)



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We also want to thank all those who donated food and toiletries to our satellite collection boxes at both Worcester Price Choppers on Cambridge St. & Park Ave. All told, we collected a total of 2,000 lbs. of food and essential items during our week long drive. We would also like to thank our amazing sponsors and donors, without whom our food drive is not possible. Due to their contributions and the individual donations of so many online and by mail, we were able to raise nearly \$18,000!! This has been one of the most successful drives to date. More children and families will have access to the healthy food, water, toiletries, and essential household items this summer because of your generosity. Thank You!!

Algonquin Regional High School

MUSLIM STUDENT ASSOCIATION (MSA)

The aim of the MSA club is to combat Islamophobia by fostering connections between Muslim and non-Muslim members of the club. They have launched anti-Islamophobia campaigns at Algonquin H.S. to spread information about the similarities between Islam and other major religions. Their other goal is to bond through giving back to



their community. For this reason, they held the annual Ramadan Drive for Jeremiah's Inn for 3 years running. The MSA have donated hundreds of lbs. of toiletries, clothing, snacks, and essential items to our organization alone. They also regularly volunteer locally to pack clothing donations destined for refugees in Muslim countries. President Sarah Saeed and her vice president Maryam Ahmed have been spearheading this drive each year. Maryam and Sarah are both graduating this year and we wish them the best of luck on their next chapters. Thank you MSA for all you do for our community!!





Our Lady of Lourdes (OLOL)

1290 GRAFTON ST., WORCESTER MA

OLOL has been providing Saturday evening meals to Jeremiah's Inn for over 20 years! Part of the mission statement of Our Lady of Lourdes Church is: "the parish reaches out with love into the neighborhood's to welcome, serve, support and engage the community in Jesus." The ministry is designed in teams that work together to shop, prepare and deliver a full nutritious meal- prepared as if preparing for our own family. The teams vary in number from one person to a team of five parishioners. There is a total of 14 parishioners active in this ministry. Over the years, the number of teams has varied. Presently, there are six teams that enable them to deliver Saturday evening meal service 6 out of 8 Saturday's. It is a labor of love for these parishioners.



This ministry is also an opportunity for fellow parishioners to come together to share their love of cooking and giving to such a worthy cause. Jeremiah's Inn Ministry is just one of the many ministry's of Our Lady of Lourdes Church. We are so grateful to all the individuals and teams who participated in the Evening Meal Program over the years. It really means so much to the residents. We look forward to another 20 years of delicious homemade meals!

"We are so happy that our parish can make a small difference in the lives of the men who utilize the services of Jeremiah's Inn."

MARY JO CASTRALE - OLOL

Save the Date...

International Overdose Awareness Day
#EndOverdose




CANDLELIGHT VIGIL OF MEMORY and HOPE
Followed by a Procession to the
Overdose Memorial at Peace Park (Winslow St.)
Vigil-Resources-COVID-19 Vaccination Booth

August 31, 2021
5:00 p.m.

Rain or Shine
Worcester City Hall Plaza or
inside in the Levi Lincoln Room
455 Main Street

 A TIME TO REMEMBER. TIME TO ACT. 

SEPTEMBER IS HUNGER ACTION MONTH



For tens of millions of people in America it's a daily choice between food and other crucial needs—like medicine, electricity, or childcare. Massachusetts has been hit particularly hard this year. This September, join us for Hunger Action Month by donating some time, talent, or funds to help us fight food insecurity in our neighborhood!

<https://www.jeremiahsinn.com/donations>



Now in its 32nd year, Recovery Month celebrates the gains made by those in recovery, just as we celebrate improvements made by those who are managing other chronic health conditions such as hypertension, diabetes, asthma, and heart disease.

Each September, Recovery Month works to promote and support new evidence-based treatment and recovery practices, the emergence of a strong and proud recovery community, and the dedication of service providers and community members across the nation who make recovery in all its forms possible.

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