LOAVES and FISHES

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Enfield Loaves and Fishes installed a Stainless Steel Prep. Table, thanks to generous donations and grants. Many people in the community depend on us for nutritional sustenance. We appreciate that, through your support, this becomes possible. This year Enfield Loaves and Fishes served 113,871 meals, 76,422 children snacks, and the equivalent of 44,165 home consumption meals. Please keep giving. Your donations and volunteer work

make a positive difference on the lives of the hungry, vulnerable, sick, young, elderly, homeless, and those in despair.

At Enfield Loaves and Fishes, we believe no person should have to experience hunger in this thriving community. In life, sometimes things happen that change our world. Sickness such as cancer, or disabilities caused by an accident can cause a person to lose income, and to have to decide on paying for housing, medical expenses, heat or food. Mothers and Fathers painfully have to watch grocery bills and must tell their children that there is nothing to eat today. Enfield Loaves and Fishes wants to be there to help. We provide nutritious meals to remove stress about food insecurity. Everyone is welcomed at no cost. We ask no questions. Wonderful Volunteers serve with love and a smile. No one is turned away!

Enfield Loaves and Fishes, with your help, collaborates with Enfield Resources for Children (ERfC) to offer juices, milk, fresh fruit, and wholesome snacks. We also provide delicious meals for ERfC's Family Days, where parents and students enjoy a delicious meal together, as a family, and students demonstrate their achievements. Every meal served is made possible by your support. With appreciation and gratitude, thank you in advance.

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Priscilla Brayson, Executive Director

Enfield Loaves and Fishes, Inc.

Professionals Interested in Becoming Board Members: Please Forward a Resume to EL&F.

Our New Stainless Steel Preparation Table

Enfield Loaves and Fishes was able to have a beautiful Stainless Steel Preparation table installed in our kitchen through the support of many generous organizations. We, at Loaves and Fishes, find it necessary to especially thank the following: the Embraer (Foundation), the Enfield Rotary Club; New Alliance Bank, Farmington Bank and Webster Bank for their wonderful donations that "made our dream come true;" a Prep. Table capable of allowing volunteers



multiple stations at which the meals can be prepared. "What A Team." Our cooks and chefs just love it! The preparation of a meal has become safer, more organized and efficient. Traffic through and around the kitchen moves much more smoothly. The prep. table has moved Enfield Loaves and Fishes into the 20th century of cuisine.

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DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS



MISSION STATEMENT



Loaves and Fishes is committed to providing meals and fellowship to the poor, hungry, and disenfranchised within our community.



FIGHTING HUNGER



Eileen MacDonald: Hardworking, Mother, Grandmother, Volunteer



Eileen has lived in the Thompsonville area since she was in her twenties. She would bring her children to Enfield Loaves and Fishes for lunch or dinner in order to make sure they all had a nutritious well-balanced meal. By the time she paid the rent, heating bills, medical expense, phone bill, and electricity, there wasn't much left over to

ensure a good meal for her family. Enfield Loaves and Fishes provided a delicious meal along with a feeling of belonging to a family. These are two important ingredients for children to have while growing up.

Today, as hardworking as Eileen is, there's still little left over after car repairs and providing for her Granddaughter. Enfield Loaves and Fishes still

provides the important nutrients needed to maintain good health. Eileen now brings her granddaughter Jemma in so she can learn the importance of eating right and making good choices when it comes to her diet. Through Enfield Loaves and Fishes, Eileen has also come to understand the importance of giving back. She regularly volunteers at Enfield Loaves and Fishes, along with the Girl Scouts, PTO, Fostering Animals, Relay for Life, Fidelco Puppy Raiser, Walk in the Darkness and much more.

"It's like a big family meal when you go there, you are always met warmly. Priscilla, her husband, volunteers and many more are always there to give you a great nutritious meal with a smile. No matter how difficult your situation is, there are always others going through much worse. I am grateful for the opportunity to share whatever I can and grateful that Enfield Loaves and Fishes is there for me when I need them."



Enfield Loaves and Fishes Executive Board 2018

Mr. Murray Brayson - President
Mrs. Priscilla Brayson - Executive Director
Ms. Theresa Dodd - Treasurer
Mr. Charlie Palomba - Secretary
Mr. Scott Kaupin - Board Member
Mr. Aldo Della Giustina - Board Member
Mr. Dave Tuttle - Board Member
Mrs. JoAnn Clark - Board Member



Resourceful, Efficient and Reliable - Thank You Anne Barba



For over 18 years Enfield Loaves and Fishes has depended on the many talents that Anne Barba generously offered. Over the years her volunteer work has demonstrated wearing many hats. From Cook to Assistant Director, she has simultaneously been a Janitor, Journalist, Handyman, Sunshine Cheer Correspondent, Public Speaker, Decorator, Seamstress, Designer, Thrifty Shopper and The Head of Hospitality... those are just to name a few. Her

talent for color coordination is striking, and she is always prepared to change decorations to enhance the spirit of each holiday. She is fearless: and never too busy to stop whatever she is doing and enter into a "heart to heart" conversation. If someone asks for advice, she might offer a few options or an opinion. She never turns away from offering her help when asked or when she sees a need to improve something, or to tidy things up a little.

After her daughter passed away in 1998, Anne knew that she needed to do something to fill in the empty space. At Church she heard of an organization that was in dire need of volunteers, and decided to give it a try. Anne found an opportunity through Enfield Loaves and Fishes that helped her feel valuable to society and help satisfy a basic need of those around us – to feed the hungry. This proved to be a perfect fit. Her daughter would

have wanted it that way. What a wonderful way to pay tribute to her loving daughter!

She was first asked to prepare for the daily meals and to attend to some kitchen duties. In time she became the Monday Cook in the kitchen, which came with more responsibilities. Rising to the challenge, Anne cooked, cleaned and did whatever else was required to keep things running smoothly. "The soup kitchen became part of my life. I am pleased I could contribute my time and talents to the endless efforts made by Priscilla and Murray. They give of themselves to provide outstanding service of love and care for our brothers and sisters in need."

Anne has been rewarded in little ways: seeing the gratefulness in a person's face, hearing a kind word, or being given a token of appreciation by one of the Guests. What a wonderful reward to show appreciation for her passion! Nothing makes volunteering here at Enfield Loaves and Fishes more wonderful than a heartfelt thank you and watching people relate as part of a large family. Anne is well known for how she kindly treated every person, no matter what their circumstances are.

Enfield Loaves and Fishes extends our thanks to Anne Barba for being so generous, resourceful, efficient, compassionate, and reliable with care and real concern for all, day after day, by providing comfort filled with love and service, as part of and benefit to the entire community.

${f H}$ IGHLIGHTS

- ★ Enfield Loaves and Fishes collaborated with Educational Resources for Children (ERfC) by providing snacks and mini-meals for 8 schools at 5 locations. Meals were also provided for ERfC Family Nights throughout the year.
- ShopRite and Stop & Shop hosted food drives for Enfield Loaves and Fishes. Through the effort of many volunteers, much food was donated, along with monetary donations.
- Various Fundraisers: Otter Creek Game Dinner, Bikers Against Hunger, Fisherman Breakfast, Subway, Red Robin, Windsor Locks Knights of Columbus Auction, Carr Hardware and Bingo for High End Purses were held.
- **♦** Free haircuts were given three times.

- ★ We are members of: Enfield Hunger Action Team, Safe Harbor Warming Center, Enfield Council of Churches, St. Bernard / St.Vincent dePaul, Partners with Wheeler Clinic and Foodshare.
- **→** Beautification of Building and Grounds was completed by Eversource, C&S Distributors and Kohl's Employees.
- **◆** Enfield Loaves and Fishes was a guest on the Kissell and Friends CPTV Program.
- + Thanksgiving and Christmas Holiday sit-down dinners were held at Loaves and Fishes, and each Guest was served by a waiter/waitress. Santa was on hand to pass out gifts to about 400 guests. Over 250 children were delighted to spend some time with Santa.
- Flooring was installed in the dining room, along with wall paneling, paint, and fresh curtains.
- **♦** Stainless prep. table installed in the kitchen along with flooring.

SPECIAL THANK YOU - 2018 ORGANIZATIONAL CONTRIBUTORS

BANKS/CREDIT UNIONS:

360 Federal Credit Union

Bank of America, Employee Giving **Enfield Community Federal Credit Union**

Farm Credit East

Saving Institute Bank & Trust **Tobacco Valley Teachers Federal Credit**

Union

Webster Bank Windsor Locks Federal Credit Union

BUSINESSES:

Advanced Technical Sales

Allied Rehabilitation

Armatas Market

Artioli Chrysler Dodge Ram

A. Sterling Insurance Agency

Austin Brook Sportsmen's Association

Bay State Health / Cancer Services

Big Y - Enfield

Bill's Landscaping Bielonko Farms, LLC

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Browne Memorial Chapels

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Carritos Enfield, dba Acapulco's

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Community Garden - Enfield

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Edible Arrangements

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Enfield Animal Hospital

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Fallon Law Office, LLC

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Geissler's Super Market - East Windsor /

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Golden Gavel Auction House

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Johnny Appleseed Farm

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ShopRite - Enfield

Silvia's Gourmet Restaurant

Smart Medical, LLC

Smyth's Trinity Farm

Sofia's Restaurant

Sonny's Place

Stoecker Family Farm Stop & Shop - Enfield

Subway - Enfield

Suffield Pizza

Suffield Veterinary Hospital

Tall Pines Rooming House

Target - Enfield

The Barnyard Enterprises

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Wal-Mart Corporation White Eagle Farms

Woodcock Refrigeration Co., Inc.

Wreaths Across America

CHURCHES AND RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS:

Amazing Grace Church - Enfield

Archdiocese of Hartford Annual Appeal

Calvary Presbyterian Church

Community of Christ Church - East Windsor

Congregational Church of Somers

Congregational Church of Somersville

Copper Hill United Methodist Women

Cornerstone Church

Enfield American Baptist Church

Enfield Congregational Church

First Church of Christ Congregational - Suffield Hazardville United Methodist Church

Holy Family First Communion Class / CCD Program

Holy Family Church / St. Vincent dePaul

Little Sisters of the Poor

Mary, Gate of Heaven Parish

Mount Carmel Women's Auxiliary

Sacred Heart Church - Suffield **Somers Congregational Church**

St. Bernard Church St. Catherine / St. Phillip's Community -

Broad Brook

St. Jeanne Jugan Parish

St. Joseph Residence and Residents - Enfield

St. Joseph's Fraternity, SFO

St. Martha Church - Enfield St. Mary's / St. Robert Bellarmine Church

St. Marianne Cope Parish - East Windsor St. Patrick's Church

St. Raymond of Penafort Parish Sun Life Church - Enfield

United Methodist Church of Enfield West Suffield Congregational Church

SCHOOLS:

Bay Path University ERfC Educational Resources for Children,

Enfield

Enfield Child Development Center

Enfield High School Students, Faculty & Clubs **Enfield High School Culinary Department**

Enfield Montessori School

Enfield Teachers Association

JFK Middle School

The Loomis Chaffee School

Parkman Elementary School Porter and Chester

Riley School of Dance

Somers High School/ Faculty, Clubs

and Societies

St. Martha School

Suffield Academy Suffield High School, Students, Clubs

and Societies Wells Road School - Granby

CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS:

Enfield Fire District #1

Allied Community Resources America's Charities

Austin Brook Sportsmen's Association

Girl Scout Troop 10761 - Enfield

Girl Scout Troop 10464 - Manchester Girl Scout Troop 11963 - Suffield

Little Red Hens Women's Club North Thompsonville Firemen

Benevolent Association

Rotary Club of Enfield

Senior Center - Enfield

State of CT. Dept of Correction **Suffield Firefighters Association**

Suffield Rotary Club

Thompsonville Fire Department

Town of Enfield AFSME Local 1029 Town of Enfield, Town Clerks

Office Employees

Women's Club of Enfield,

Community Stitchers

United Way of Central and N.E. CT

FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS:

America's Charities American Legion Post #80, Tanguay Magill

American Legion, John Maciolek Post 154

Amvets, Post #18 - Enfield

Bloomfield Lions Club

Disabled American Veterans, Chapter 52

Enfield Grange

Enfield Elks BPOE 2222

Enfield Lions Club, Inc. **Enfield Police Explorers**

Enfield Women's Club

Hartford Aircraft Local IAMAW AFL-CIO #743

Knights of Columbus, Council 50 - Enfield Knights of Columbus, Council 14600

Knights of Columbus, Council 26 -

Windsor Locks Loval Order of the Moose, Thompsonville

Lodge #1525

Laureate Tau Sorority Suffield Women's Club

VFW, Landry-Sic Post 9544 Windsor Locks Lions Club

Woman of the Moose, Thompsonville Chapter 1302

FOUNDATIONS:

Adam Family Fund Foundation

Aetna Foundation, Matching Grants

Antonacci Family Foundation Bob's Discount Furniture Charitable

Foundation

CNY Community Foundation

Carris Corporate Foundation, Inc.

Central New York Community Foundation, Inc.

Cyber Grants, Inc.

Farmington Bank Community Foundation Hartford Foundation for Public Giving

Infinity Benefit Foundation KSD Charitable Foundation

Max Cares Foundation

Melvin S. Cutler Charitable Foundation Meyer Family Living Trust

My Tribute Gift Foundation New Alliance Foundation,

Reid and Reige Foundation, Inc. Travelers / CyberGrants

Waterford Group Charitable Foundation

United Bank Foundation - Connecticut United Way of Massachusetts

Werth Family Foundation

We have made every effort to ensure accuracy and apologize for any

errors or omissions.



"HUNGER Has No Season"

WHO ARE WE?

Loaves and Fishes is a nonprofit, volunteer program incorporated in 1982. Our purpose is to feed the hungry and aid the disenfranchised.

WHERE ARE WE?

We are located at 28 Prospect Street • Enfield, CT 06082

MAILING ADDRESS:

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OUR WEB SITE IS:

www.enfieldloavesandfishes.com

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FACTS

We have gone from serving **15,625** meals in **1992** to **113,877** meals in **2018**, while **76,422** snacks were prepared for children in Educational Resources for Children (ERfC). Of the thousands of meals served, nearly **40%** went to children both in the Soup Kitchen and ERfC After School Programs. Food for **44,165** meals was provided for home consumption.

We are staffed almost exclusively by volunteers from the community and operate under the guidance of a Director and a volunteer Board of Directors. For information, contact Priscilla Brayson at pbelf@aol.com.

Dinners are served, free of charge, **Sunday** through **Friday** from **4-5 P.M.** and on **Saturday** from **11-12:30 P.M.** Various churches and organizations provide the meals and volunteers on Saturdays and Sundays.





AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM HOW CAN YOU HELP?



Enfield Loaves and Fishes is solely dependent upon donations and volunteer help from individuals, churches, organizations, corporations and businesses in North Central Connecticut throughout the year.

The soup kitchen **does not** receive monetary support from state or federal governments.

There is a constant need for volunteers and donations since **"Hunger Has No Season."** Monetary donations support food purchases, supplies, equipment purchases and maintenance.

Volunteers are needed to help with the transportation of food and supplies, stocking shelves, food preparation, cooking, serving and cleanup.