



Episcopal Charities
A Commitment to Caring

Winter News *from Episcopal Charities*

about

blog

volunteer

donate

2019 Tribute Dinner

On November 12th, we hosted our annual Tribute Dinner, honoring the Presiding Bishop, The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, and James and Susan Baker, the 61st Secretary of State and his wife, both of whom are active in fighting homelessness.

The evening was a festive celebration, with 18 parishes represented by at least a half table of parishioners -- we thank you for your support. We are currently closing in on our fundraising goal as a result of the generosity of so many, including an anonymous donor who provided a \$150,000 match for our night-of Wish List donations.

If you weren't able to attend the dinner, don't worry -- you can still hear Bishop Curry and Secretary Baker's remarks [here](#).

Photos courtesy of Kara Flannery.



A Message of Hope from Prison

Six months ago, Eldredge Blalock was incarcerated. Through Hudson Link for Higher Education in Prison, a vital outreach program supported in part by Episcopal Charities, he earned two degrees, and now works in development for Hudson Link.

[Take a moment to listen to Eldredge's incredible message](#) of hope, perseverance, and the power of education as he told it at our Tribute Dinner.

Volunteer Spotlight: Advent Days of Service



Volunteers at St. Ann's

As the year draws to a close and we draw our loved ones closer, our Advent Days of Service provide opportunities to give back to those in need. Saturday, December 7th was the first of such days, with over 35 volunteers serving at 4 community outreach programs throughout the Diocese.

Volunteers gathered with children from St. Ann's After-School Program in the Bronx, creating holiday arts and crafts. At St. James', Fordham, volunteers restocked food pantry shelves for their December distribution. In Newburgh and Manhattan, volunteers prepared and served hot,

nutritious meals to the hungry at Church of the Good Shepherd and St. Michael's Church.

One volunteer, Jackie Petit, said she wanted "to give back to the community that has given so much" to her family, and that "there's no better time than Advent to do just that." She and her children donated their time at Church of the Good Shepherd, Newburgh.

For more information, or to register for one of our Advent Days of Service, click [here](#). We have volunteer opportunities in each region of the Diocese on every Saturday in December!

We've got a new look!

This fall, we redesigned our website to be easier to navigate, with more information to help you find the resources you need. If you're looking to [volunteer](#), [find out about our granting cycle](#), or [view some of the resources we've catalogued](#), head on over to our new and improved website!

As you prepare to relax and spend time with family and friends during the holidays, you are likely to spend some time to reflect on the many blessings in your life. We also would ask you to consider the less fortunate among us by making a year-end donation to Episcopal Charities.



Your gift will allow Episcopal Charities to continue to make a difference in your own backyard at 99 parish-affiliated programs, vetted by our Advisory Committee, so you can rest assured that your money will be used wisely. Thank you for your commitment to caring and helping us to transform lives.

Episcopal Charities of the Diocese of New York | 212-316-7575 | www.episcopalcharities-newyork.org

DONATE

STAY CONNECTED:

