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## Fall E-News from Episcopal Charities of the Diocese of New York

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### Episcopal Charities Annual Tribute Dinner

The Episcopal Charities Tribute Dinner is scheduled for:

**Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at 6:30 PM**

**at the**

**Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine**

1047 Amsterdam Avenue in New York, NY

This year we will be honoring:

**The Most Reverend Michael B. Curry,**

The Presiding Bishop and Primate of the Episcopal Church,

&

**James A. Baker III, and Susan G. Baker**

61st Secretary of State and 67th Secretary of the Treasury  
Co-Founder and Past Chair, National Alliance to End Homelessness

Please plan to join us for this very special event!

To purchase a table or tickets go to our website: [episcopalcharities-newyork](http://episcopalcharities-newyork) call 212-316-7575.



## New Director of Programs at Episcopal Charities

We are happy to share with you the good news that Patrick Bergquist joined Episcopal Charities as our new Director of Programs in July.

Most recently Patrick served at St. Bartholomew's Church (Manhattan) as the Director for Children, Youth and Family Ministries and as a Director of Special Projects for the Rector, The Rt. Rev. Dean Wolfe. Patrick has degrees from Northern Seminary and Anderson University along with additional studies in theology at Fordham University. His career has been a blending of work in education, non-profit, church and community engagement on multiple levels. The Director of Programs is responsible for administering our portfolio of grants and supporting our outreach program partners. Patrick has already been actively visiting our diverse programs throughout the whole of the Diocese of New York and is excited to see even more of them. If you would like him to visit yours, please drop him a note!

Patrick can be reached at 212-316-7426 and [pbergquist@diocesenyc.org](mailto:pbergquist@diocesenyc.org).

## Calling All Volunteers for Back to School Opportunities

Do you love to volunteer with children and youth? If so, now is the right time to fill out an Episcopal Charities' volunteer application ([click here](#)). We are looking for volunteers for our Youth Opportunity programs which started in September and have volunteer placements across the Diocese. For example, [St. Ann's After School Program](#) in the South Bronx is looking for volunteers to commit at least one hour a month reading with children. [St. Michael's](#) on the Upper West Side is looking for Monday night volunteers to provide homework help to elementary schoolers and [St. Peter's](#) in Portchester, NY is hoping to find volunteers to mentor and tutor youth. To find out more information about these programs or to inquire about other volunteer opportunities, contact Emily Collie-Beard at [ecvolunteers@diocesenyc.org](mailto:ecvolunteers@diocesenyc.org).



Food pantry clients making their selections

## Episcopal Charities Sunday

A big **THANK YOU** to all those individuals and parishes that donated to support the feeding programs in our portfolio on Episcopal Charities Sunday. This year we had 120 parishes across the diocese participate and we have raised over \$72,000 and counting. If you weren't able to participate earlier and would still like to support the programs, please contact us at 212-316-7575 to request materials, it's never too late to help!

## Second Annual Diocese-Wide Day of Service

Saturday, May 18th, Episcopal Charities held its Second Annual Diocesan-Wide Day of Service and it was a SUCCESS! 147 total participants volunteered at 15 community outreach programs throughout the diocese, this includes participation from Manhattan parish groups from St. Luke in the Field's; Trinity Wall Street; St. Mary's Harlem; St. Thomas Fifth Avenue; Cathedral of St. John the Divine; All Saints; and Grace Church. Other parish groups included: St. James' Fordham, Bronx; St. Ann's, Bronx; Christ Church, Bronxville; Church of the Atonement, Bronx; Christ's Church, Rye; St. Andrew's, South Fallsburg; St. John's, Monticello; St. Mary's, Staten Island; Christ Church, New Brighton.



Volunteers at Crossroads Community Cares

Volunteers worked stocking food pantries, planting children's gardens, serving meals to hungry New Yorkers, sorting clothes for community thrift stores, painting youth art spaces, and greeting homeless LGBTQ youth at a drop-in center. The impact of these service projects was felt across the diocese from the West Village in Manhattan to Sullivan County in the Mid-Hudson region.

Not only did our volunteers engage in meaningful service, they also interacted with each other making powerful connections. Danya Green, a volunteer from St. Ann's who volunteered at St. Mary's in Harlem shared her experience. Danya said, "After volunteering with my service group, I signed up to become a regular volunteer with the feeding program AND the shelter program! I used to live two blocks from the church, and I feel like I am giving back to the community that gave me so much. Not only did I feel positive when I left, but I connected with fellow Episcopalians from St. James' and All Saint's Church; I am excited to stay in contact." If you are interested in connecting with a volunteer opportunity in any region of our diocese, please contact the Episcopal Charities Volunteer Coordinator, Emily Collie-Bear at 212-932-7354 or email [ecvolunteers@diocesenyc.org](mailto:ecvolunteers@diocesenyc.org).



## Basic Human Needs Grant Cycle

Soon our Advisory Committee members and staff will be fanning out across the diocese to meet with both returning and new outreach programs that are applying for our latest round of Basic Human Need (BHN) funding. The opportunity to connect with these parish based programs across the diocese is invigorating and inspiring. We are fully living into our communities and insuring that people don't go without food, shelter, education or the other tangible ways our programs offer support. It is an honor

to partner with so many wonderful programs.

Just a reminder, if you are considering applying for a BHN grant, now is the time to start pulling all that you need together for the application. For those who are new to Episcopal Charities or for those who need a refresher on what is required, take a look at our website <https://episcopalcharities-newyork.org/apply-for-a-grant/bhn/>

Upcoming dates:

- September 27th, New Grant Seekers Webinar - sign up here!

- October 4th, Applications are due! For our returning programs, we are using an updated system for the application, that means that you will now be able to set your login information!

As you work your way through this process, please reach out to [Patrick](#) or [Emily](#) with any questions or if you need help! We are happy to assist you.

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## New Grantseeker's Webinar Dates!

We offer monthly online information sessions for anyone interested in applying for an Episcopal Charities grant. The one-hour session provides an overview of our grant making process, funding criteria, and expectations for programs. We'll also walk you through an application and answer any of your questions. The webinar is required for all new grantseekers, but it's appropriate whether you're an old hand at grant writing or have never written a proposal, whether your parish is seeking funding for a well-established outreach project or just beginning to plan a new ministry. For upcoming dates, see below. To register, click [here](#).

Upcoming Dates:

- Fri, 9/27/19, 2:00 p.m.
  - Thur, 10/17/19, 10:00 a.m.
  - Tue, 11/05/19, 6:00 p.m.
  - Thur, 12/12/19, 12:00 p.m.
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