



April 5, 2016

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your involvement in Jewish Federation's fifth annual community-wide March Mega food drive!

You were part of the over 50 schools, synagogues, agencies, and supporters who collected **over six thousand pounds of food** in just one month! The six recipient food pantries and elementary school are thrilled to restock their shelves in order to better service those in need.

You made a difference and helped to fight hunger in northern New Jersey. When many of our neighbors in need have to choose between purchasing food and/or paying their rent or utilities, this food helps families stay in their homes and keeps families intact.

Collection site initiatives included: pasta groggers, mishloach manot bags, and bar/bat mitzvah community service projects. It was truly a community wide effort!

In culmination with the food drive, this past Sunday, 45 eighth and ninth graders learned about hunger in our community and helped sort and pack **one thousand bags** that went directly to the food pantries.

The Jewish Federation thanks you, and the food pantries thank you!

We are so grateful that you are a part of the terrific work we do at Federation. Please don't hesitate to contact us at any time. We always love hearing from you.

With our best wishes,

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***Save the date for Mitzvah Day, Sunday November 6, 2016!**