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in Webster, New York**

Serving all those in need in the Town of Webster
and others in the 14580 ZIP Code



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Hello and thank you for offering to volunteer your time with the Webster Community Chest. Here is our May 2026 Volunteer email.

Please read through this monthly email as it is filled with current information regarding our volunteer opportunities. If you have any questions or would like to discuss WCC volunteer opportunities further, please email our Volunteer Coordinator, Carol Lowe at communitychestvolunteers@gmail.com and she will get back to you in a timely manner. If you are no longer interested in receiving this email, please send a separate email to communitychestvolunteers@gmail.com stating you do not want to receive the monthly newsletter and/or would like to be removed from the distribution spreadsheet.

As always, the topics listed below are color coordinated so that you can skip to the topics that you're interested in.

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THANK YOU to our March Meal Center OUTSIDE & DELIVERY volunteers: *Bob H, Judith, Denise, Bill C, Mary Lynne, Sharon & David D, Pam M, Heather, Alicia, Carol, Gary L, Rick, Ellen & Russ.*

THANK YOU!

March Meal Center Distribution Summary

141 families were fed

Meal bags included 4 meals and a 6pk of toilet paper (thanks to a grant from Cornell Co-op Extension). Some families also received girl scout cookies, mac/bean "garbage plate" recipe bags and kid bags. 13 lucky clients received beautiful bouquets of flowers. All clients were given a flyer regarding new SNAP changes, copies donated by Weekend Printer.

Meal Center 2026 Monthly Distributions (all Thursdays, 3:30-5:00):

5/28, 6/25, 7/30, 8/27, 9/24, 10/29, 11/19, 12/17

Future Holiday/ Seasonal Distributions:

Summer Event: 7/14 4-5:30pm

Thanksgiving Event: no date yet

IF you are not a regular OUTSIDE/DELIVERY volunteer on Meal Distribution day and you are interested in seeing what the process entails, please contact Tracy at: webcommchest@gmail.com or 585-671-2060.

This cannot be stressed enough. People are showing up and busy volunteers are being pulled from their duties to interact with "nonscheduled volunteers".

Meal Center: Submitted by Trish Knisley

MEAL CENTER - APRIL IMPACT

180 meal bags were packed in April. The bags included ingredients to prepare four recipes: Tuna Noodle Casserole, Italian Night, Red Beans & Rice, and Mini Chicken Pot Pies. Extras included kids bags, and various food to curate a 'garbage plate'.

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR OUR VOLUNTEERS

Bagging: Linda, Denise, Judith, Pam, Lynn, Cheryl, Anne, Jane, Charlie, Bill, Trish

Saturday Deliveries: Bill delivered 6 meal bags

Pickup at Library location: Lynn, MaryLynne

Group volunteers: Scout troop 241, and Daisies

If you would like to be involved in our monthly bagging event, please reach out to Trish at 585-704-3936

THANK YOU FOR STAYING COMMITTED TO OUR MISSION

With summer imminent, these are our specific needs.

*A Canned goods Drive or/ donate food listed on our website: webcommchest.org

*Schools-Out for Summer food need: Cereal, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Granola Bars and shelf stable food as listed on our website webcommchest.org

Our current Drop-off locations: Webster Community Library, and Bernardi & Co.

We are accepting brown grocery bags, suggestions of future shelf-stable food drop-off sites, and hosts for Fill-the-Van events.

Can you help Webster neighbors by partnering with us?

Hygiene Team: Cornell Co-op Extension Grant submitted by Tracy Dennis

THANK YOU to these volunteers who helped us pick up the Wegmans order graciously purchased for us by Cornell Co-op Extension. Order was delivered to three different storage locations! *Fred, Bill C, Steve & Carol Y, John D, Steve L.*

Secretary Assistants Openings submitted by Bonnie Reynolds

WCC is looking for 2 volunteers who can commit a few hours weekly to assist our secretary. One assistant would be a Correspondence Assistant and oversee writing thank you notes (mostly email), etc. The second would be a Meetings Administrative Assistant whose job would include recording minutes at our Board meetings, scheduling the meeting room, and various other jobs. A full job description is provided as a separate attachment. If you have any questions, please contact Bonnie at (585)770-3326.

Women's Empowerment Programs submitted by Tracy Dennis

Every Thursday night the Webster Community Chests hosts our Women's Empowerment Programs at the Webster Recreation Center. We alternate between two programs and you are invited to join us at any time.

One week: Women's Self Defense classes, taught by Master Jason Lee of Kuk Sool Won of Ontario. 6:15-7:15pm. These classes are for women of ALL ages 13+ and ALL fitness levels and abilities.

Alternating weeks: CAFES: Creative Amazing Friendship Empowerment & Support: 6:00-7:30pm Community building for women through structured craft activities. Join us to learn a new craft, spend time with some amazing women or even teach us a craft if you would like to be a guest artist!

JOIN US IN 2026!

*For more information on all of these programs, please contact us at:
webcommchest@gmail.com OR 585-671-2060*

We hope you are doing well. Thank you for your continued support of the Webster Community Chest and our community.

Your Friends at the Webster Community Chest

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