

## Hatboro Community Cupboard

December 8, 2025

November was a whirlwind month. The combination of the media focus on the pause of SNAP benefits and the approaching holiday season resulted in an incredible increase in donations to all food pantries. Montgomery County commissioners even voted to extend another grant for first half of 2026 to assist pantries in the county with increases in clients. We were the beneficiary of a \$7000 grant to cover purchases from January thru June 2026. We closed out the 2025 MAHN grant with deliveries the last week of November.

We registered 42 new families in November serving 443 families during the month.

Donations during the month were too numerous to list but I will give a shout out to the largest contributors. Thank you to Giant Foods, Grocery Outlet, Neshaminy School District and Redeemer Lutheran for their donations of turkeys. We provided 136 complete Thanksgiving meals to our clients and provided 27 turkeys to Hatboro Baptist Church for their Thanksgiving community dinner. We received more than 350 bags of non-perishable food items from the Scout food drive. In addition, Endo Pharma provided seven SUV's filled with non-perishable items from their employee food drive. We are still trying to find storage space for all of the canned goods. From this abundance we were able to send six SUV's full of oatmeal, Ramen, fruit cups and juice boxes to HATPACKS! As I have said before and will continue to reiterate, we are blessed to live in such a caring, compassionate community.

We continue to search for a substitute team leader. We are trying to be patient as we wait for the right person to step up and assist us.

As always, we are grateful for our volunteers and all of the organizations that support us in our efforts to provide food for those in need.

Due to the influx of donations that continue to arrive at the pantry every day it is impossible for me to determine what we need except for toilet paper. Hopefully, we will get control of our inventory soon.