



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Owen H. Johnson

Please Donate Non-Perishable Food To Help Your Neighbors In Need.

OWEN H. JOHNSON October 28, 2011

Senator Owen H. Johnson's **THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE**

**Now through
November 23, 2011**



Dear Friends,

Did you know that 320,000 Long Islanders are at risk of hunger? More than 118,000 of them are children. These numbers represent 11.3% of the total Long Island population now needing our help getting an adequate supply of nutritious food. Many of the food pantries and soup kitchens in our community are having difficulty keeping up with the demand.

That's why I am working with Island Harvest to collect food for those in need. You can help by donating canned and packaged goods and placing them at any of the following food collection sites between now and November 23, 2011:

Senator Owen H. Johnson's District Office

23-24 Argyle Square

Babylon, NY 11702

Bay Shore-Brightwaters Public Library

1 South Country Road

Brightwaters, NY 11718-1513

Islip Town Councilwoman Trish Bergin Weichbrodt's Office

Brookwood Hall

50 Irish Lane

East Islip, NY 11730

West Babylon Public Library

211 Route 109

West Babylon, NY 11704-6211

Lindenhurst Village Hall

430 South Wellwood Avenue

Lindenhurst, NY 11757-4979

Suggested items to donate:

Canned items including vegetables, tomatoes, tomato sauce, meat, fish, fruits, and soups.

Peanut butter, pasta, cereals, dry milk, almond or soy milk, baby formula, spices, coffee, tea, and nutritional beverages.

Gift cards for the purchase of turkeys and ham are welcomed as well.

Your food donations will be distributed by Island Harvest to one or several local food pantries, soup kitchens or other programs in our area before Thanksgiving Day.

Island Harvest distributes food to more than 570 food pantries, soup kitchens, and other local feeding programs throughout Long Island. Since 1992 Island Harvest has delivered 71 million pounds of food, supplementing more than 62 million meals. To learn more about Island Harvest visit their website at www.islandharvest.org.

Join me in the fight against hunger! Help end the hunger crisis and reduce food waste on Long Island by donating today!

With best regards, I remain

Very truly yours,

Owen H. Johnson