

Dear {FIRST\_NAME|Friend},

As we approach the holiday season, we hope you'll consider partnering with FMC and MCFOODS to make the holidays a little brighter for the thousands of Middlesex County residents and families who are food insecure. You can host a food drive or donate to us and we'll purchase the food on your behalf. While there is an all-year-round need for relief from food insecurity, we know that the holidays put our supporters in a particularly giving mood and we hope FMC will be one of the organizations you choose to support!

Regards, FMC Board of Directors

## MCFOODS 25th Anniversary Gala Recap



More than 200 FMC and MCFOODS supporters joined the Gala Committee on Thursday, September 26th to celebrate 25 years of MCFOODS and its impact on Middlesex County's food insecure residents. Awardees included Jane Brady, former Middlesex County Freeholder and founder of MCFOODS. To see more photos, click <a href="here">here</a>.

## Elijah's Promise's Share Table Program

In January 2019, Elijah's Promise partnered with Rutgers' Cooperative Extension and Collaborative Center, Middlesex County and the New Brunswick Public Schools to begin a program that will alleviate hunger and food insecurity while reducing food waste in schools. Share Tables are a USDA promoted method for students to share unwanted, unopened fruits, vegetables, cheese, milk and sandwiches during the lunch period. When the lunch day is over, the food is stored in a dedicated refrigerator to be used again later that day for after school programs or for food to be taken home at dismissal.

Our goal is for 50% of schools in Middlesex County to adopt Share Tables by the end of this school year. If you are a part of the school system and are interested in bringing Share Tables to your school, please email Jason Flatt at <a href="mailto:food@elijahspromise.org">food@elijahspromise.org</a>.



## FMC Recognized at East Brunswick Regional Chamber's 2019 Gala



FMC and MCFOODS were selected to jointly receive the Outstanding Local Nonprofit Organization Award at the East Brunswick Regional Chamber of Commerce's 2019 President's Award Gala. Jennifer Apostol, MCFOODS Director, is also being honored as the recipient of the "Estelle Goldsmith" Community Service Award which is reserved for an individual who makes a significant contribution through their time, actions, talents and dedication. The gala is being held on Thursday, November 14th at 6:00 p.m. Read the full *My Central Jersey* article covering this event.

## **Shop for a Cause with Amazon Smile**



As you start your holiday shopping, considering making FMC your designated charity! Go to <a href="mailto:smile.amazon.com">smile.amazon.com</a>, select Feeding Middlesex County from the list of eligible nonprofit organizations and Amazon will begin donating 0.5% of every one of your purchases to FMC!

View the 2018 Annual Report

Donate Now!

Feeding Middlesex County (FMC) financially supports organizations that feed the hungry. We are a registered 501(c)3 nonprofit organization.

We raise funds to purchase food and equipment to assist qualifying agencies in procuring, storing, preserving and transporting food and other necessary items to our food insecure neighbors.







