August Monthly Newsletter

Reflections from our Director

Food for the body...Nurture for the soul. It's easy to see how Bread of Life’s mission is realized in the food we provide to help people build their health and strength. In June, 1,064 families gathered at our Malden pantry to pick up groceries; 557 families attended our Everett Mobile Market; 1,039 senior citizens had groceries delivered to them; 200 Everett students received backpacks of food; 742 adults, seniors and children enjoyed prepared meals through our evening meal program. Seeing nurture for the soul requires a deeper look. We often hear people say that they feel blessed by what Bread of Life has done for them to help them through hard times. Being the recipient of an unmerited or exceptional gift or service can make us feel grateful, happy, blessed, nurtured in our soul. But it’s also true that we can feel exactly the same way by giving. Jesus said “It is more blessed to give than to receive.” (Acts 20:35) and “Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the...
measure you use, it will be measured to you.” (Luke 6:38). I know people who have chosen to volunteer at Bread of Life when I thought it would have been the last thing they would want to do: people who have lost loved ones to drug overdose, people struggling with mental or physical illness in themselves or their family, people who have lost their job, marriage, children, home. I have heard them say how blessed they are to be part of Bread of Life’s work. They have been nurtured in their souls, blessed, as they poured out blessing to others. I’m so grateful to all those who have modelled for me that being blessed is not necessarily about experiencing success financially or socially, but about giving freely, extravagantly, joyfully. With our Under One Roof building project planned to commence before year’s end, it’s an honor to work alongside you all as we expand the reach of our mission: Food for the body...Nurture for the soul.

God bless you,
Gabriella Snyder Stelmack

Enter for a Chance to Win!

Click here to visit our website and enter your email address for complimentary entry into the drawing

Want more chances to win the drawing?
For each $10 donation to The Bread of Life you will receive an additional entry in the drawing.
Winner will be drawn September 1st. Winner will pick up treats each month from each location.

Community News

MA House of Representatives & Senate
Super excited to share that the Massachusetts House of Representatives and Senate has passed a final budget for the 2022 fiscal year that includes $100,000 for Bread of Life to support our anti-hunger efforts. Thank you!

Massachusetts Academy of Trial Attorneys
A special thank you to Massachusetts Academy of Trial Attorneys for hosting a virtual food drive fundraiser for Bread of Life. Over $4,000 raised from generous donors for our programs!

Pearl Street Station
A big shoutout goes to Paul Solano, our friends Pearl Street Station and ALL who purchased a meal for Bread of Life! Thanks to great community partnerships, our families were served chicken, ziti and broccoli at Bread of Life’s evening dinner last month.

Monkey King Tea
Over the spring, a senior high school staff member at Monkey King Tea, a fabulous local cafe in Malden, suggested they make a drink and donate a portion of the proceeds back into the local community. He chose Bread of Life as the organization to receive a generous $450 donation! Thank you for honoring Bread of Life- we truly appreciate your support!

Clemente Organization
A big shout out to Miss Maine Teen USA, Miss Massachusetts USA, Miss Massachusetts Teen USA, and Miss Maine USA for volunteering at Bread of Life’s food pantry. Also a big thank you
to the Clemente Organization for including Bread of Life and giving back to our community!

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**IBEW Local 2222**

A huge thank you to our friends IBEW Local 2222 for hosting a food drive for Bread of Life. We are grateful for your support!

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**Malden Community Garden**

We are grateful for the generosity and support from our friends at Malden Community Garden. Fresh vegetables are always appreciated, thank you!

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**Save the Date**

**Bread of Life Walk is back!**

Sunday, October 3rd, 12pm

**Click here to register to walk**

See below for Sponsorship Opportunities
Standing in the Gap

One of the things that happens behind the scenes at BOL is that we work closely with other community organizations. Case in point: Last Thanksgiving, Jana Gimenez of TheFoodDrive in Melrose and Sam Hammar, director of Melrose Together, were distributing bags containing a complete Thanksgiving meal plus a gift card to families served by Housing Families Inc. When they had leftovers, they contacted Linda Cochran, one of our key pantry volunteers, who is also a volunteer at the Malden Warming Center (MWC). We ended up handing out 40 bags to families at BOL and the MWC. Linda remembers “That was one of the most heartwarming things I remember in the past months – all these organizations coming together to meet so many needs.” There are many

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**Sponsorship Opportunities**

**Premier Sponsor $10,000 (limit one)**
- Naming opportunity at Bread of Life’s new facility
- Large Logo on Bread of Life walk t-shirts
- Recognition by Susan Wornick at start of walk in pre-recorded opening remarks
- Opportunity to host table at Bread of Life Walk
- Company name and logo on sign along walk route
- Listing and company link on Bread of Life website
- Acknowledgement in Bread of Life e-newsletter
- Social Media recognition on BOL Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn
- Team of 10 walkers included with sponsorship

**Finish Line Sponsor $5,000**
- Medium Logo on Bread of Life walk t-shirts
- Listing on Bread of Life website
- Company name listed on sign along walk route
- Mention in Bread of Life e-newsletter
- Social Media recognition on BOL Facebook, Twitter, Instagram
- Team of 5 walkers included with sponsorship

**Home Stretch Sponsor $2,500**
- Mention in Bread of Life e-newsletter
- Social Media recognition BOL Facebook, Twitter
- Small Logo on Bread of Life walk t-shirts

**Starting Line Sponsor $1,000**
- Social Media recognition BOL Facebook
- Small logo on Bread of Life walk t-shirts

**Warm – up Sponsor $500**
- Name listed on Bread of Life walk t-shirts

For Questions
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other such collaborations, but to mention a few: We received a large donation of Bombas socks from Mystic Valley Elder Services to give away through our pantry and evening meals, but we also shared them with the MWC. We discovered a case of deodorant while moving out of 54 Eastern Ave and passed it on to Malden Cares and Malden Overcoming Addiction for their weekly outreach at the Malden Center MBTA station. We work with Malden Neighbors Helping Neighbors and Everett Community Aid Network who help us deliver grocery orders and meals to special populations. We know there are many needs to be met and are glad to work with so many good organizations to help serve as many as possible.

Volunteer Opportunities

There are plenty of volunteer opportunities available at Bread of Life. If you want to get involved and make a difference please Visit our Website or stop by our temporary pantry located at 109 Madison St. Malden, MA

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