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PRONTO OF LONG ISLAND HOLDS HOLIDAY FEED THE HUNGRY MEAL PACKAGING EVENT



Pronto staff, and volunteers, help package over 700 meals for distribution to the needy this Thanksgiving.

BAY SHORE, NY – Pronto of Long Island, Inc. (Pronto), a not-for-profit, Community Outreach Center serving the most vulnerable children and families living in Brentwood, Bay Shore, Central Islip and neighboring communities, hosted a Holiday Feed the Hungry Meal Packaging Event at their Bay Shore headquarters. Pronto staff, and volunteers, helped pack over 700 meals that will be distributed to the needy in time for Thanksgiving.

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“It’s our honor to help people all year round, but at this time of year we believe that it’s important for people to be able to enjoy a big family Thanksgiving,” said Kathy Bennett, Pronto President. “No one should have to feel shame, or turn away a guest, for fear of not having enough food,” she continued.



Pronto volunteer packing a box with Thanksgiving fixings.

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Pronto of Long Island, Inc. is an outreach center whose mission is to feed the hungry, clothe the needy, welcome the stranger, and provide healing and hope to everyone who walks through their doors. Pronto opened in 1969 from the vision of a group of committed lay people and clergy at St. Anne’s Roman Catholic Church. Since then, it has gone through several reincarnations resulting in unique partnerships with Catholic Charities, food distributors and local markets, as well as health, welfare, benefit and educational providers. Partnering with the community, Pronto will expand their outreach to a greater population and assist those who may not have access to formal cooking facilities. Pronto has been able to flourish based on contributions of clothing, furniture, household items and monetary donations. As always, this vision is fueled by prayer and the hard work of committed volunteers, and with these two powerful elements, Pronto cannot help but succeed. Pronto is a nonprofit partner of the United Way of Long Island.

Pronto of Long Island, Inc. is a member of the FREE Network, which collaborates with a variety of diverse 501(c)(3) nonprofit partners on educational, vocational, rehabilitative and a myriad of other creative initiatives to enhance the local communities and the lives of more than 25,000 people that reside within them. Each of the valued partners of the FREE Network have a unique mission, vision and strategic goals that are aligned in purpose, and embody the spirit of the meaningful work we do every day.

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