## Outreach Tuxedo

Dear Friends & Neighbors,

March 23, 2020

Several community organizations and concerned individuals have been meeting virtually to develop a comprehensive plan to address local needs during this global crisis. Here's the plan so far:

- Last week, we brought 5,000 lbs of non-perishable food into the area to prepare bags for delivery to students, families and shut-ins with food security issues. The first distribution was last Friday afternoon. Also, the <a href="Sloatsburg Food Pantry">Sloatsburg Food Pantry</a> will be open on Tuesday, March 24, from 1pm to 6pm with a "drive-thru" pickup.
- We have established point persons by neighborhood (see below) who are responsible for assessing needs and coordinating local response.
- We have also created an email hotline <a href="help@stmtux.org">help@stmtux.org</a> that anyone in Tuxedo can use to let us know of needs that are going unmet, so that we can work to find a way to address them.
- Please note, the neighborhood coordinators and hotline volunteers are not medical professionals. If you feel sick, call your doctor. In an emergency, call 911. United Way is also a good resource for health and social services -- call 211.

## Here's how you can help:

- Call and check on your neighbors to make sure they're okay. If they need something, encourage them to contact their neighborhood coordinator or the email hotline. Do not visit in person at this time.
- Volunteer to help by contacting your neighborhood coordinator or the hotline. Please rest assured we are taking precautions to maintain social distancing and minimize risk, and will not ask you to do anything you're not comfortable with.
- We are particularly in need of healthy volunteers in the 20 to 50 age group, who would be willing to go shopping for essentials or pharmaceutical needs of the elderly, or people confined to their homes. These volunteers would be contacted by the neighborhood coordinator to assist in fulfilling the needs of people seeking help. To volunteer, call Sue Heywood at 845-351-3473.
- Donate to one of the organizations making this happen <u>Sloatsburg Food Pantry</u> and <u>St. Mary's Outreach</u>

After this crisis has passed and we look back, the thing that will have mattered most is how we treated each other and how we worked together to protect our community. **Stay safe and stay strong!** 

Neighborhood	Point Person	Telephone	Notes
East Village	Donna Posta	845-821-0517	
Clinton Woods	Sue Scher	845-351-2883	
Laurel Ridge	Noreen Fennell	845-258-7147	
Southfields	Maria May	845-641-9917	Includes Tuxedo Heights and Arden
The Hamlet	Janet Galuska	845-351-5335	Includes Rt 17 apartments
	Bonnie Takeuchi	845-351-5232	or 845-662-3388 (cell)
Tuxedo Park	Lili Neuhauser	845-351-0048	or 845-729-8829 (cell)
Woodlands	Joe Rickard	845-753-6156	
Eagle Valley	Marie Castricone	845-351-4203	Includes MapleBrook & Hamilton Estate
Benjamin Meadow Rd	Calvin DeMond	914-671-0826	Includes Bramertown Road and vicinity
Promenade	Fr Rick	917-658-6314	No visitors allowed

Committee in formation... Michele Lindsay, Town Board Donna Matthews, Town Clerk Meg Vaught, Board of Education Nicole Scariano, Tim Bohlke, Joann Martin, Chris Oliva, Marie Castricone, Tuxedo School District Allen Barnett, Village Board of Trustees Susan Meyer, Joyce Donohue, **Sloatsburg Food Pantry** Father Rick Robyn, Lili Neuhauser, Sue Heywood, St Mary's Church Noreen Fennel, Chamber of Commerce Joe Rickard, Woodlands Sue Scher, North Tuxedo