



The Cape Henlopen Food Basket (CHFB) is the local food bank located in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware, serving the residents of the Cape Henlopen School District.

AN ALL VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATION

The Cape Henlopen Food Basket is an all volunteer organization of more than 75 members who are regularly scheduled to work in the Food Basket each month serving clients. We also have about 10 volunteers who assist with gathering food donations weekly from our generous local grocers and who help unload our monthly delivery from the USDA to restock the food shelves. Several other volunteers substitute in the Food Basket when called upon. The CHFB has a 14 member board that makes organizational decisions.

HOUSEHOLDS IN NEED

In 2016, the Food Basket served 2,091 households, representing 5,944 people. During the year 2015, the Food Basket served 2,397 households and 6,691 individuals. There is great need in this region and we are meeting ***our mission to provide emergency food service to the needy people within the boundaries of the Cape Henlopen School District.***

SNAP=FOOD STAMPS

APPLICATION ASSISTANCE IS NOW AT THE FOOD BASKET!

SNAP, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, was formerly known as the Food Stamp program. For 1 in 6 Americans, hunger is a reality. SNAP provides timely, targeted, temporary food support to those in need. This support is in the form of a food debit card approved only for food purchases. 50% of those served are children.

The CHFB is partnering with the Food Bank of Delaware to provide outreach to those who need food. Ian Lawrence will visit the Cape Henlopen Food Basket on a bi-weekly basis from 10a.m. - 2p.m. on Wednesdays starting March 8, 2017. He will submit application paperwork for clients in order to make the process easier and troubleshoot, if there's a need.

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VOLUNTEER PROFILE:
Jennie Hansen

by Susan Schranck



There's not much Jennie Hansen doesn't know about the Cape Henlopen Food Basket (CHFB). She was on the original planning committee fifteen years ago, and she continues as a volunteer and board member to this day. As a go-to person at the CHFB, Jennie buys food, stocks food, inventories food, and makes sure that no one has to go without. "Nobody ever told me to do these things," she smiles, "I sometimes wonder how this happened." A native Pennsylvanian from the Hershey area, Jennie and her husband raised their family in New Jersey and then retired to the Lewes area. In her retirement, Jennie found outlets for what she admits is a "food-calling". In addition to the many days she volunteers at the CHFB, Jennie co-founded a Saturday morning breakfast mission at Groome United Methodist Church in Lewes. She also volunteers to cook soup for her church's Bible study classes. Her face lights up when she talks about cooking for family get-togethers—crab cakes, twice-baked potatoes, a feast. For Jennie, sharing food is an

expression of love. "You have to watch out for other people's needs," Jennie offers as an explanation for her dedication to the CHFB mission. "There's no reason for anyone to go without food—we have resources and great volunteers here [at the CHFB]. And, if you are volunteering for something, you are doing what you want to do." Jennie Hansen and the CHFB are a perfect match.

YOUR GENEROSITY AND GOOD WORKS ACKNOWLEDGED BY OUR CLIENTS

- ✚ *This program is a tremendous help for our community...They have really come through for my family when times were hard for us... I want to thank everyone involved (volunteers are amazing) in keeping our local food bank up and running smoothly. Happy holidays.*
- ✚ *Thank you. You all have really been good to me and my family. You are angels indeed. God bless you. Have a merry Christmas.*
- ✚ *It has helped me and my husband tremendously! We can't make it each month with the little amount of money we have plus the \$157.00 food stamps for the month. Thank you.*

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