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Healthy Snack Sale



Sister Anna Maria thanks teachers and students of PS#3

Sister Anna Maria presented awards to Peer students and to Ms. Cuervo's class who helped to collect and distribute food to the Franciscan Community Development Center of Fairview. [Click here](#) to view photos

Sharing their bounty



Thanks to the student community of West New York Public School No. 3 many of our area's needy families were able to enjoy a wonderful Thanksgiving feast this year. Spearheaded by No. 3 School's peer youth group, which is made up of about 60 students, the school was able to collect multiple canned goods and other non-perishable food items to donate to the Franciscan Community Development Center's food pantry in Fairview.

The school began its collection of goods on Nov. 2 through the peer youth group- coordinated through teachers Andrew Bove and Zoila Correa. Every student, who donated a good, had a

turkey feather with their name attached to the collection bins. In addition, Dana Mensher challenged her fourth grade class students to bring in 100 cans, which they surpassed. The feathers remained on display throughout the month for the entire student community to see.

The school was able to donate over 800 items of food, and some students even volunteered at the shelter prior to the Thanksgiving holiday.



P.S. 3 students help the needy this holiday season

On Wednesday, Nov. 18, 5th and 6th grade students from Public School No. 3 volunteered their time at the Franciscan Development Center in Fairview arranging 75 bags of food for the homeless. About 13 students joined Sister Anna Maria and Sister Gloria to pack the goods.

Teacher Lizzett Cuervo said the volunteer field trip served as an excellent learning opportunity for all. The students learned about expiration dates, the food groups, organization, sorting, averages, and most of all giving back. The students also felt very special because they learned how much their efforts meant to other people.



The Franciscan Community Development Center is a non-profit organization, which houses a food pantry for the homeless, and provides several services including legal services, healthcare, dental care, eye care, clothing, and much more. The center's launch was spearheaded by volunteers.

The school community of P.S. No. 3 collected close to 750 cans of food to donate to the center, which Ms. Cuervo will be dropping off the following week along with baked goods donated by A&P in West New York. [Click here](#) for photos.