



ST. FRANCIS FOOD PANTRIES AND SHELTERS

"Feeding, clothing and counseling poor families"

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The Honorable Nikki R. Haley
Office of the Governor
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

August 13, 2014



Dear Governor Haley,

May God grant you peace!

My name is Father Francis Gasparik, President of St. Francis Food Pantries and Shelters in New York City.

St. Francis Food Pantries and Shelters support a network of Food Pantries, Shelters, Soup Kitchens, Safe Havens and Drop-In Centers. In our network, there are over 40 locations throughout the New York area. We help feed over 10,000 poor families each week. We also distribute free clothing, diapers and toiletries. In addition, St. Francis Food Pantries and Shelters have full-time social workers to serve our clients' needs. We serve over 1.5 million meals a year.

On Thursday, November 6, 2014 St. Francis Food Pantries and Shelters is hosting their **Fifteenth Annual "Doodle for Hunger" Celebrity Art Auction** at Pier 60 - Chelsea Piers in New York City. "Doodle for Hunger" is an exciting auction of original works of art by artists, entertainers, athletes, politicians and business celebrities.

We would like to ask you to support us by drawing a "Doodle" for our celebrity auction. The proceeds from your auctioned Doodle will benefit St. Francis Food Pantries and Shelters. Every dollar raised will be used exclusively for our mission.

We believe with your support, we can make our **"Doodle for Hunger XV" Celebrity Art Auction** another successful event, allowing us to continue our fight against hunger.

We hope you will join us in our mission to serve those seniors, children, men and women who hunger and thirst physically as well as emotionally.

If you would like more information regarding St. Francis Food Pantries and Shelters or you would like to attend our event, please call us at (212) 279-6171, or email Joseph Sano at joe@stfrancispantries.org.

May God bless and keep you.

Sincerely,


Rev. Francis Gasparik, OFM. Cap.
President & Co-Founder


Joseph Sano
Executive Director & Co-Founder

Please visit www.doodleforhunger.com and follow us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/stfrancispantries

Doodle for hunger[®]



Doodle for Hunger Instructions:



1. Simply use our crayons and drawing paper (or any medium you like) to draw your Doodle for Hunger.

2. Please sign and date it.

3. Return it (if possible, include a photo of yourself) between the two cardboard sheets in the enclosed stamped, self-addressed envelope.

4. Between now and the auction, we will send you updates and you will be mentioned in all press releases and newsletters.

5. After the auction you will receive a certificate of appreciation and a tax letter.

Won't you please help us to help feed the hungry by participating in our Doodle for Hunger Auction.

May God bless you,

Fr. Francis

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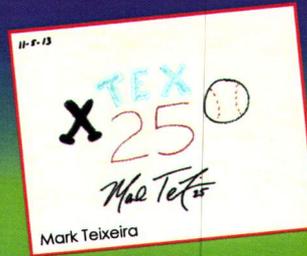
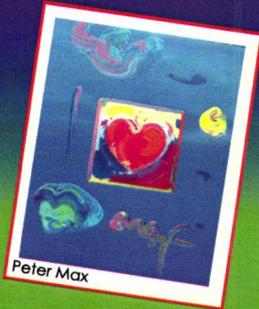
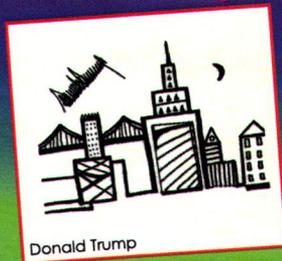
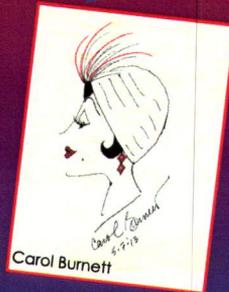
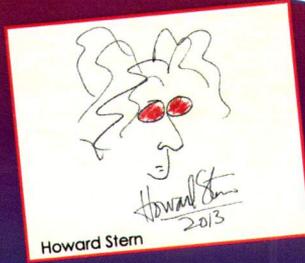
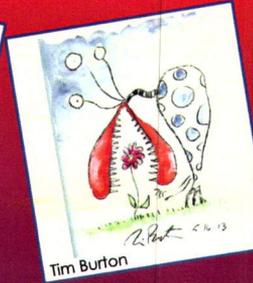
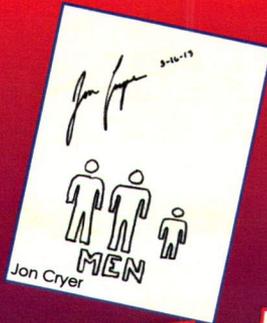
Doodle for Hunger. XV

Celebrity Art Auction

To benefit

St. Francis Food Pantries and Shelters

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Thursday, November 6, 2014

Pier Sixty at Chelsea Piers | New York City

Doodle for Hunger XIV

The Fourteenth Annual "Doodle for Hunger" Celebrity Art Auction was held on Thursday, November 7, 2013 at Pier Sixty/Chelsea Piers. The lively charity event was presented once again by Margo and John Catsimatidis, and hosted by Fox 5 News Anchor, Ernie Anastos. For the first time in Doodle For Hunger history the program featured musical performances, much to the delight of our attendees. Guests of Honor Gloria Gaynor, Grammy Award winner and Constantine Maroulis, Tony Award nominee both serenaded guests with musical selections that truly set the tone for evening. Gaynor and Maroulis each received the Francis Award for their commitment to helping the needy. Colorful and original signed works of art, or "Doodles", created by celebrities such as Donatella Versace, Donald Trump, Lady Gaga, Paul McCartney, Peter Max, LeRoy Neiman, Mariano Rivera, Jon Cryer, Cardinal Timothy Dolan, Betty White and many more, were auctioned off during the event. Celebrity Auctioneer, actor Tony Lo Bianco was joined by Auctioneer CK Swett of Heritage Auctions. Over 700 guests enjoyed a cocktail party, Doodle preview, silent auction and live auctions. It was a wonderful evening that raised over \$600,000 in support of St. Francis Food Pantries and Shelters – which serves over 10,000 poor families in the New York area each week.



Margo & John Catsimatidis of The Red Apple Group present the Francis Award to Constantine Maroulis.



Fr. Francis Gasparik, Joe Sano and Margaret Grioli of Macy's present the Francis Award to Gloria Gaynor.



Dolores Gallo along with Greg and Debra Gallo.



CK Swett of Heritage Auctions.



Gloria Gaynor shows off her Doodle with Joe Sano and Louis Siracusano.



Donna and Richard Soloway bidding in the Silent Auction.



Staff and Guests of Macy's.



Constantine Maroulis serenades our guests.



Joe Sano with Linda Zuidmeer and Cal Ramsey of the New York Knicks.



Event MC, Ernie Anastos of FOX News.



Constantine Maroulis displays his Doodle with Fr. Francis Gasparik and Joe Sano.



Rita Cosby and Gloria Gaynor.

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St. Francis Food Pantries and Shelters is established to alleviate the physical and emotional hunger of the poor and needy in a dignified and supportive manner. St. Francis Food Pantries and Shelters takes a comprehensive approach in providing and supporting services that eradicate not only hunger, but the structural causes of hunger. There are over 40 independent feeding programs that form St. Francis Food Pantries and Shelters with over 1.5 million meals served throughout the New York area each year. St. Francis Food Pantries and Shelters supports a network of charitable programs that provide a broad range of services for those in need, including the provision of food, clothing, shelter, and related social services for the poor. St. Francis Food Pantries and Shelters also fights hunger through special events for those in need. Each location has customized its program according to the needs of the local community. Working together with the staff and volunteers at various locations to promote emotional and physical well-being through programs sponsored by banks, hospitals, social service providers, and the corporate community, St. Francis Food Pantries and Shelters raises awareness of the needs within the community and forges new relationships. In addition to feeding the hungry, St. Francis Food Pantries and Shelters works to eliminate hunger and its underlying causes by providing literacy programs, counseling for persons with addictions, support for victims of domestic violence, and training for those who help eradicate the various structural causes of hunger.



Fr. Francis with former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and Joseph Sano.



Joseph Sano visits with two sisters enjoying a meal.



Helping everyone stay warm with our annual coat drive.



Food is distributed to everyone.



Fr. Francis Gasparik greets guests at one of our Pantry meals.



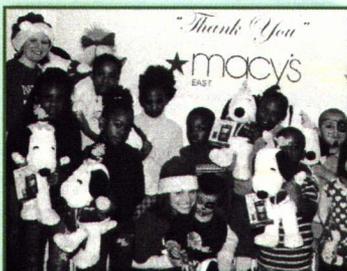
Joseph Sano, Executive Director of St. Francis Food Pantries and Shelters with Mayor Michael Bloomberg and Fr. Francis.



Goodies and books are provided for each child that attends our Reading Programs.



Wendy Williams visits with guests at one of our Pantry meals.



Toys for the children always put a great smile on their faces.



Fr. Francis, Congressman Peter King, and Senator Charles Schumer hold a press conference.



Turkey give-a-ways help our clients enjoy the holidays.



Long lines await the opening of our Food Pantries.



Grandparents Day at St. Francis Food Pantries and Shelters.



"Salutes to St. Francis Food Pantries and Shelters".



School supplies are provided to every child at our Back to School Picnic.



Loyal volunteers lend a helping hand.