



June 12, 2020

Ms. Deeta Nair  
The Empower Foundation NJ Nonprofit Corporation  
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Dear Ms. Nair,

Thank you so much for your generous gift of \$7,476.84 received on Tuesday, June 9, 2020. This donation will better position the Community FoodBank of New Jersey (CFBNJ) to continue its mission of providing food, help, and hope across the state.

With unemployment and uncertainty rising, we are seeing an increase in demand for our vital services. According to Feeding America, an estimated 17.1 million additional people will experience food insecurity during the COVID-19 pandemic, a 46% increase over the 40 million Americans who are normally food insecure. A dramatically increased need is already evident in New Jersey and unfortunately, we only expect to see this trend continue to grow in the weeks ahead.

CFBNJ has been continuously adapting its response. Our warehouse in Hillside is now open 24 hours a day and we are packaging emergency meal kits that consist of forty meals at both locations. As a result of the economic impact of layoffs at Atlantic City casinos demand at our on-site pantry in Egg Harbor Township is up by 60% and the number of emergency food boxes distributed on an average day has tripled. We are currently packing a total of 2,000 boxes per day, enabling us to distribute the equivalent of 80,000 meals per day.

These are unprecedented times, while these statistics are of course concerning, we at CFBNJ are also focusing on the positives. We are thankful for donors, like you, who have stepped up to support those impacted by this crisis. Because of your philanthropic support food will continue to reach our neighbors in need throughout the communities we serve, many of whom are experiencing hunger for the first time.

On behalf of the entire CFBNJ team and the countless children and families your generosity touches, we thank you for your partnership.

Best wishes and many thanks,

Karen E. Leies  
Vice President of Development

*In accordance with IRS regulations I certify no gifts or services were received in exchange for this gift*

P.S. - For the latest information on our COVID outreach efforts, please visit our website at [CFBNJ.org](http://CFBNJ.org) or our social media pages on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. Thanks again!

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