

Joi's Angels

INFORMATION KIT

2022

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07018**



THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST

Joi's Angels

A Not-for-profit Organization

January 2022

Dear Friend,

On behalf the Joi's Angels Team, welcome and thank you for your interest. This informational packet is meant to give you a sense of who, how, and why we serve. We are a nonprofit organization dedicated to building and uplifting the community, particularly individuals and families in crisis. Purposed to restore and maintain human dignity, our outreach efforts include a wide array of charitable community programs and services. We are happy to announce a special focus and emerging competency in 2022: Youth Empowerment.

If you have any additional comments, questions, or ideas, please reach out to me directly at (862) 888-1855.

Yours in service,

Mark

Mark Smith
Executive Director

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Angels

at a glance

MISSION

Joi's Angels is a faith-based ministry dedicated to providing critical assistance to the displaced, challenged and homeless by supplying food, shelter, advocacy and life essentials.

WHY

Joi's Angels exists to provide basic assistance to needy individuals and families, to restore and maintain human dignity among the vulnerable. The prime beneficiaries of our efforts are food insecure persons, and those who lack access to employment, health, and social services. We also provide shelter to men with disabilities as well as volunteer and community engagement activities for at-risk youth. Our core functions are food pantries together with diaper, hygiene product, clothing, and feminine product distribution programs. We provide each of these services at no cost; neediness is the only requirement for participation.

HOW

- **We distribute food** to homeless and needy individuals across several New Jersey counties as well as to partner organizations throughout the state.
- **We provide homeless relief and shelter**, daily meals and counseling sessions, and social services advocacy to men with disabilities.
- **We supply diapers & life essentials** to women, children, and men for the restoration and/or maintenance of dignity and public health;
- **We engage and empower youth through by providing a safe space** and the opportunity to practice civic engagement through volunteerism and community service in conjunction with several schools districts; and
- **We operate ANGEL SPOT** a warehouse stocked with home furnishings, available to the community .

ANGEL IMPACTS

SERVED	2018	2019	2020	2021
GROCERY BAGS	27,949	39,912	57,140	66,492
DIAPERS & BABY SUPPLIES	1,075	1,569	3,914	5,360
PPE & LIFE ESSENTIALS	10, 092	14, 639	2, 949	4,352
SHELTER	38	57	24	28

COVID-19 VACCINATION & TESTING SITE

VISION

Joi's Angels aspires to become a comprehensive crisis resource center that transforms lives and moves communities toward social, mental, physical, financial and spiritual self-sufficiency.

CORE PROGRAMS & SERVICES

FOOD

- On-site Food Pantry
- Emergency Food Assistance
- Blind and Hearing-Impaired Veterans Pantry*
- Senior Housing Food Program*
- Free Fresh Produce Farmers Market
- Essex County College Student Food Pantry*



MOTHERS & INFANTS

- Mommy Diaper Pantry
- Community Baby Shower
- Emergency Assistance

OUTREACH & EVENTS

- ◇ Community Clean
- ◇ Operation Warm Heart
- ◇ Pet Food Distribution
- ◇ Community Movie Nights
- ◇ National Night Out (Host Site)
- ◇ Holiday Carnival
- ◇ Halloween costume giveaway
- ◇ Easter Holiday Giveaway
- ◇ Turkey Time (Thanksgiving)

COMMUNITY PARTNERS & GOOD NEIGHBORS

- ◇ Elizabeth Coalition for the Homeless
- ◇ East Orange Public Library
- ◇ Mental Health Association of Morris County
- ◇ Temple B'nai Abraham, Livingston
- ◇ Essex County Community College
- ◇ United Way of Northern NJ
- ◇ YMCA
- ◇ AMERIGROUP
- ◇ United Methodist Communities
- ◇ Have Mercy Ministries
- ◇ H & R Block
- ◇ City of East Orange
- ◇ 7-Eleven, Freeway Drive, East Orange
- ◇ City of Orange Fire Department
- ◇ Community Food Bank of New Jersey, Hillside
- ◇ Community Psychiatric Institute
- ◇ Mental Health Association of Essex County
- ◇ City of East Orange
- ◇ City of Newark Housing Authority
- ◇ Harmon Face Values
- ◇ Table to Table
- ◇ Sierra House
- ◇ Buy Buy Baby
- ◇ L-Train Foundation, Union
- ◇ East Orange General Hospital
- ◇ Essex County Sheriff's Department
- ◇ CURA – Adult Residential & Re-entry Center
- ◇ Omega Phi Psi Fraternity

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ESSEX COUNTY COLLEGE
STUDENT FOOD PANTRY

Currently located at 114 S. Arlington Ave. East Orange, NJ 07018

LOCATION
Room 117 - First Level, Red Area

HOURS OF OPERATIONS
MON - FRI: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
SAT: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
SUN: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION
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FOOD Pantry 2022

EVERY 3RD & 4TH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH

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(FOR UNDER 3YRS OF AGE)

HOLIDAY GIVEAWAY

Joi's Angels

DECEMBER 22, 2022

2:30PM-5:30PM THURSDAY

AGES 2-11 YEARS ONLY!
(CHILD MUST BE WITH ADULT)

ALL ARE WELCOME

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Joi's Angels in association with the Chelsea Park Family Success Center
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COMMUNITY Baby Shower & Wellness Fair

For Pregnant Women & Parents of Babies born after July 1, 2016

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COAT GIVEAWAY

THURSDAY JANUARY 27, 2022
9:00AM-12:00PM

- ADULT COATS
- CHILDREN'S COATS

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DIAPER PANTRY

2022

3RD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
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- Social Security Award Letter
- Women, Infants & Children (WIC)
- Program Eligibility Checks
- In/Out Prison Release Papers
- Medicaid Card
- Proof of Unemployment
- Child's Birth Certificate (under 3 years old only) and PARENTS ONLY.

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Joi's Angels HALLOWEEN COSTUME GIVEAWAY

FOR CHILDREN AGES 2YRS. - 12YRS. (WHILE SUPPLIES LAST)

TUESDAY OCTOBER 30
3PM - 5:30PM

EAST ORANGE PUBLIC LIBRARY
2150 ARLINGTON AVE. - EO, NJ

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 973-266-3627

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ANGEL SPOT

NEW & GENTLY USED

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PET FOOD PANTRY

Cats & Dogs

National No. 1148





FOUNDERS

Mark & Joi

Joi's Angels was founded in East Orange, New Jersey by Mark and Joi Smith in the summer of 2005. The initial idea was to create a housing facility that would serve as a safe haven and place of refuge for the underserved population of Essex and Union Counties. Remarkably, it has blossomed into so much more. After overcoming tragedies and the disappointments that often plague urban life, Executive Director and Co-founder, Mark Smith, vowed to build an organization that would provide support to displaced persons via a dignified and non-judgmental approach. To him, the homeless, ex-offenders, drug-addicted, or any other negative societal or clinical title given persons experiencing a "difficult moment" in their lives, did not have to translate into a perpetual state of being—for it was just that—a moment in time. Mark decided to enlist the assistance of his wife Joi, a veteran administrator within the field of community support services.

Mark is a leader whose visionary qualities propel the organization. A charismatic communicator, he is responsible for carrying out the mission of Joi's Angels and for inspiring volunteers, staff and stakeholders to believe that achieving big dreams is, in fact, possible. As architect of all organizational goals and objectives, he shepherds organizational resources. He approaches these responsibilities with an unrivaled and infectious passion and energy, aimed at the service of others. At the operational level, his management style is simple: he would never ask another to do something that he would not do himself. Leading the Angel Crew, he manages the properties and coordinates bulk food transport, as well as furniture and toy pickup/distribution.

Where Mark is the leader, Joi Smith, Co-Founder and Assistant Director, is the manager. Her background in finance, purchasing and event planning enables her to manage all administrative, organizational and outreach efforts. She began her service career as a volunteer with The First Presbyterian Baptist Church, Elizabeth, New Jersey. Shortly after joining the church as a volunteer, the pastor asked Joi to join the organization as a paid staff member, where she continued her pantry and event planning work. Her affinity for order and ability to get the job done right made her the ideal partner to help Joi's Angels spread its wings.

She approaches both clients and volunteers with compassion, neither judging nor refusing any person who asks for help. From soliciting toy donations for the annual Christmas Carnival (which has outgrown its former location and is now held at Essex County College) to washing and ironing t-shirts for the volunteers to making care packages, Joi is an indefatigable community organizer.

Mission-driven, Mark and Joi labor diligently. And their humble approach to work and to all whom they encounter leave most unaware of literally countless accolades and awards bestowed upon them by governmental and community organizations. Both Mark and Joi sit on boards as trustees of several organizations.

Joi's Angels

PROGRAMS & SIGNATURE EVENTS

ANGEL HOUSE COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRIES AND FARMER'S MARKETS

Twice monthly pantries/farmer's markets supply bags of groceries and/or fresh meats and produce to families and individuals.

VETERAN'S FOOD PANTRY

Partnering with the United States Veteran's Administration, we bring monthly food pantries/free farmers targeted to blind and hearing-impaired veterans receiving outpatient care at the East Orange Veterans Administration Wellness Center. Some of these heroes hail from our neighborhood, while many others arrive at the Outpatient Wellness Center from towns across New Jersey.

COMMUNITY BABY SHOWERS (FOUNDING SPONSOR)

These annual events for needy mothers were conceived to provide baby essentials and a "true to life" traditional baby shower experience which included games, gifts and prizes, music, a catered menu, and lots of fun!

COMMUNITY CLEANUP

With governmental and nonprofit partners, we help to organize and participate in quarterly community clean-ups in neighborhoods and towns throughout Essex County. We bring a large Army of Angels to all of these important events.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH/ENGAGEMENT

This is where we team with our community partners for meetings, events, and community-building initiatives. We work with approximately 100 other non-profit agencies throughout Northern New Jersey. They are colleagues and friends.

ESSEX COUNTY COLLEGE STUDENT FOOD PANTRY

We partner with Essex County College to operate a full-service pantry on the college's Newark campus. This pantry operates twice per month, and on one Saturday per month. Full- and part-time scholars receive nutritious foods and snack choices during *and* outside of the academic year.

HALLOWEEN COSTUME AND CANDY GIVEAWAY

These annual themed events are held at multiple locations during the lead-up to Halloween. Joi's Angels provides over 1,000 children with costumes, candy and snacks before and during celebrations organized by one of our community partners. These events also provide safety and security to thousands of children and peace of mind to their parents.

MOMMY AND ME DIAPER PANTRY

This monthly program supplies over 100 mothers and fathers with baby diapers and other baby essentials/necessities.

HOLIDAY CARNIVAL (FOUNDING SPONSOR)

This is Joi's Angels flagship community event. Last year, over 4,000 children received gifts and toys—all for free. Plus, every family and guest enjoys free food. We also offer an open-air toiletry market where persons can shop as if they were in a retail store. It is stocked with thousands of personal care items and other hygiene products. There is a separate open-air baby needs store for mothers. All guests have access to bags of healthy produce and food items, and a wide assortment of new and gently used outerwear for winter. We anticipate that this event will only grow in the coming years.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT COMMUNITY BARBECUE (MUNICIPAL HOST LOCATION)

Joi's Angels has been a host location for National Night Out for over a decade. Our National Night Community Barbeque has grown to attract approximately 1,200 residents. Kids are provided family-friendly fun, a catered barbecue, ice cream and watermelon stations, a fresh produce giveaway, a makeshift outdoor baby needs store, a DJ, and a singing and dancing contest.

OPERATION WARM HEART

Provides access to (Code Blue): temporary winter emergency housing, hot meals, and bathing facilities; Immediately houses up to 50 homeless individuals based on extreme temperature forecasts.

SENIOR FEED FOR LIFE

A monthly service, this program has grown to include eight (8) low-income, senior citizen public housing buildings. At each location, Joi's Angels offers either the pick-up or delivery of nutritious grocery-store-style food to senior citizens across Northern New Jersey.

SHELTER/MEN'S RESIDENCE

The men's residence/shelter is the mainstay of Joi's Angels. Licensed to house up to sixteen men, Joi's Angels specializes in providing supportive housing for those with mental disabilities. Short-term crisis residency ranges from 24 hours to two weeks. Referrals for emergency shelter fluctuate significantly. Annual short-term stays range from a low of 22 persons to a high of 50 persons.

SUMMER WORK EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (SWEP)

In conjunction with city and state agencies, we provide summer jobs for 10-15 high school and college students each year. Joi's Angels ensures that each participant develops his or her character, improves his or her interview skills, and that all gain "real world" work experience, an experience that will build a solid foundation for career success.

TURKEY TIME

As Thanksgiving approaches, needy individuals and families receive traditional Thanksgiving meats and holiday fixings.

YOUTH COMMUNITY SERVICE & ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM

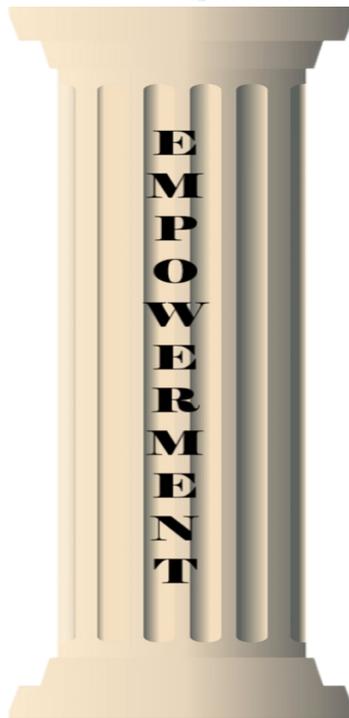
Collaborating with judicial and educational agencies, Joi's Angels helps to promote civic engagement and community-mindedness by offering opportunities to over 500 youth per year.

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

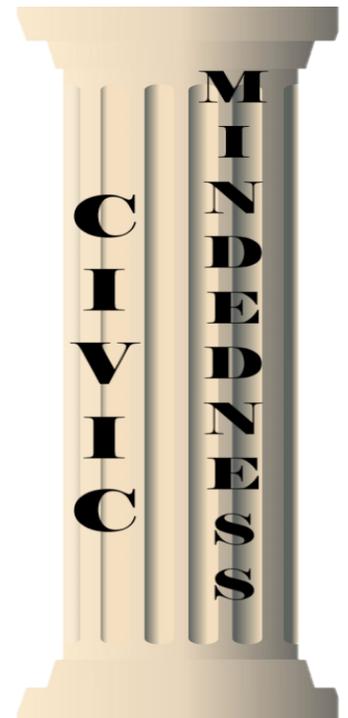


Increase self-esteem

- A) .Acts of philanthropy can lead to greater feeling of self-worth because helping others is fun and can help a teen reflect on what they have and enhance their sense of purpose.
- B). Gain more empathy.
- C). Become a Stronger College applicant
- D). Build long-term generosity.



Youth empowerment is the process of encouraging young people and giving them the information, guidance or resources they need in order to take charge of their lives and make healthier decisions. When the youth are empowered, they are able to fulfil their dreams because they have access to the opportunities, skills, and resources they need to reach their full potential.



Working to make a difference in the civic life of one's community, which leads to increased academic performance and improved social-emotional well-being.

CREATE GOOD CITIZENS

AT JOI'S ANGELS, THE PILLARS OF SERVICE, EMPOWERMENT, AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT SUPPORT THE CAPSTONE OF YOUTH ENGAGEMENT.



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- ◆ Proof of Unemployment

Child's Birth Certificate (under 3 years old only) and PARENTS ONLY.

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FURNITURE ASSISTANCE

EMERGENCIES DUE TO

**FIRE • HOMELESSNESS • EVICTION OR LOCKOUT • BEDBUGS
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EAST ORANGE RESIDENTS ONLY.

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PROOF OF CURRENT OR PRIOR EAST ORANGE ADDRESS

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EASTER

HOLIDAY GIVEAWAY

THURSDAY APRIL 14, 2022

9:00AM-12:00PM

(NO EARLY ARRIVALS)

**EASTER CANDY BAGS
(2YRS- 12YRS)**

AND MORE...

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GIVEAWAY

THURSDAY

DECEMBER 22, 2022

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CHILDREN CLOTHES (AGES 5-11YRS ONLY)

**FREE
TOY
GIVEAWAY**



FREE



CLOTHES

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Thank you for your interest in Joi's Angels. To schedule a tour of our facility, visit a food pantry, or to engage with us as a community partner, please contact Mark or Joi.

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Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much.

- Helen Keller

