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Organizing for Good

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Pictured, Back row (l. to r.): Mary Brennan INN Volunteer Joan LaClasse, Vickie Faber, Cynthia Braun, Nancy Borg, Mary Brennan INN Manager of Building Services Jean Claude Victor, Jr., Virginia Placa. Middle row (l. to r.): Joan Essex, Mary Brennan INN Volunteer Services Coordinator Doreen Dixon, Diana Soll. Front row (l. to r.): Linda Goldfarb, Carla Mazzuchelli.

Each January—aka “Get Organized (GO)” Month—Long Island members of the National Association of Professional Organizers (NAPO) pool their talents to help a local non-profit and/or service-based organization. 2011 brought 13 NAPO Professional Organizers together to assist The Interfaith Nutrition Network (INN).

The INN, a not-for-profit, volunteer-based organization that provides food, shelter and long-term housing to families and individuals seeking assistance, delivers its services through three homeless shelters, 25 long-term housing apartments and 19 soup kitchens, one of which is The Mary Brennan INN, located in Hempstead, NY.

Professional Organizers Jackie Agdern, Nancy Borg, Cynthia Braun, Joan Essex, Vickie Faber, Linda Goldfarb, Regina Kempster, Tara Kenavan, Alix Lieberman, Carla Mazzuchelli, Virginia Placa and Alice Price along with NAPO-NY's Immediate Past-President, Diana Soll, worked along-side The Mary Brennan INN's dedicated staff and committed regular volunteers to help set up the donation and distribution areas for the new year.

While The INN is grateful for donations of any kind throughout the year, from November 15th through January 2nd, they request that drop-offs be limited to food (like Turkeys and fixings for Thanksgiving), hats, gloves, scarves, blankets and new children's toys for Christmas. During the holiday season, the areas normally designated for storing clothing, toiletries and other items are cleared to make room for the food and toys. When the first week of January rolls around, the space goes back to housing donated clothing, toiletries, etc. once again.

With a little help from their friends at NAPO, The Mary Brennan INN was able to relocate the toiletries storage area, rearrange the drop-off and sorting areas and restock all of the racks in the clothing distribution area in a matter of hours, enabling the volunteers to begin distributing donations to guests days earlier than they had anticipated.

If you would like more information about The INN or would like to make a donation, please visit www.the-inn.org or call 516-486-8506. The Mary Brennan INN is located at 100 Madison Avenue, Hempstead, NY 11550.

About NAPO

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