

## COLLECTING JANUARY 1 – FEBRUARY 29



### LONGWOOD BLESSINGS IN A BACKPACK NON-PERISHABLE FOOD



LONGWOOD, NEW YORK  
**BLESSINGS IN A  
BACKPACK**

Who will feed the kids this weekend?

Collecting 15 oz. cans of BRAND NAME chili, beef stew, and canned veggies. These items feed children with food insecurity—currently feeding more than 400 Longwood students in the Longwood School District. These items are a rare treat for the kids as they are higher-priced goods. Help us to warm them up this winter!

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### ONGOING NOW THROUGH 2024

### CAITLYN'S VISION EYEGLASSES



We will gladly accept used prescription eyeglasses, readers, sunglasses, and cases. Glasses will be refurbished and distributed to help children in need. To learn more about Caitlyn's story, call 631-729-3243.



### EJ'S PJS PAJAMAS



Collecting pajamas of all sizes this Valentine's Day season to extend the love and warmth you feel in a new pair of comfy, cozy pajamas to those in the community who might not have this simple luxury.

Join the conversation on Facebook:  
<https://www.facebook.com/EJSPJS>.

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### ONGOING NOW THROUGH 2024



### LONG ISLAND STATE VETERANS HOME AT STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY CDS & DVDS

Collecting gently used CDs/DVDs to benefit Long Island's veterans' organizations. Visit them at <https://veteranshome.stonybrookmedicine.edu/>.

Long Island  
State Veterans Home



AT STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY

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### SILO (SUFFOLK INDEPENDENT LIVING ORGANIZATION) NON-PERISHABLE FOOD & PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

Collecting personal care items, incontinence supplies, wipes, soaps, and other hygiene items. Also collecting non-perishable food items in partnership with LI Cares & Island Harvest for those in need in the community. Visit them at <https://www.siloinc.org/>.

**COLLECTING  
NOVEMBER 1 – DECEMBER 11**



**HUNTER BUSINESS SERVICES  
ANNUAL TOY & JOY DRIVE  
APPAREL & TOYS**

Helping all moms and dads attending Hunter Business Services who need a smile. We are collecting the following items: hats, scarves, mittens, gloves, diapers or wipes. We are also collecting: NEW, unwrapped toys for all ages, board games, cars and puzzles.

*Once the Hunter families are provided for, items will be donated to those in need from our surrounding communities.*

**COLLECTING  
THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30**



**ANGELS OF LONG ISLAND  
SNEAKERS**



Sneakers for school kids! NEW and GENTLY USED - if you wouldn't wear them, don't donate them. Also collecting laundry soap and basic personal hygiene items. Visit them at <https://www.angelsolongisland.com>.

**COLLECTING NOVEMBER 1 – DECEMBER 11**



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS SENIOR BY  
VOICES FOR SENIORS  
GAMES, HYGIENE, APPAREL & MORE**

Collecting various gift items for seniors in nursing homes who have no family. Here are some examples (not exhaustive):

**Games:** Playing cards, Jenga, dominos, bingo, lacing cards, checkers

**Crafts:** Adult coloring books, colored pencils, knitting/crochet gift set, large piece puzzles, patchwork kits

**Hygiene:** Hairbrush/comb, bar soap, chapstick, toothbrush/toothpaste, lotion

**Apparel:** Sweatshirt/sweatpants, non-skid socks, PJ pants, throw blankets, warm shawls

**Books/Magazines:** Large print word search, journal, telephone address book

**Practical gifts:** Walker caddy, book magnifying sheet, book light/reading lamp, pen & notepad

**In addition to our District Office**, we will have Operation Christmas Senior collection bins in local libraries: Brookhaven Free; Mastic/Moriches/Shirley - Mastic Branch; Patchogue-Medford; South Country. Join the conversation on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/VoicesforSeniors>

**VOICES**  
*for* SENIORS

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following NEW items:  
of all sizes, and wipes. Also  
games; dolls, trucks,

all extra items will be  
nding community.

Assemblyman

**Joe DeStefano**

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**COLLECTING  
OCTOBER 1 – NOVEMBER 21**



**SILO (SUFFOLK INDEPENDENT LIVING  
ORGANIZATION)  
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NON-PERISHABLE FOOD &  
PERSONAL CARE ITEMS**

Collecting non-perishable food items and  
personal care items as follows:

**Food (dry-non-perishable):**

- Shelf-stable milk
- Potatoes (canned or flakes)
- Canned meals, hearty soups and stews
- Tuna (canned)
- Cereal (boxed or oatmeal)
- Macaroni and cheese
- Canned vegetables
- Raisins/other dried fruit
- Nuts
- Jelly/Jam

**Personal Care Items:**

- Adult Diapers (all sizes except Medium)
- Soap
- Shampoo
- Toothpaste/Toothbrushes
- Deodorant
- Personal Wipes

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**TO DONATE: COME BY MY DISTRICT OFFICE**  
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Assemblyman  
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If you have any questions about the information in this brochure or wish to contact me regarding any state issues, please feel free to contact me at [destefanoj@nyassembly.gov](mailto:destefanoj@nyassembly.gov) or call my District Office at 631-207-0073.

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FOR THOSE  
IN NEED**

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One of the most admirable things about our community in Suffolk County is the willingness to help those in need. Your donation and altruism promote a collective effort toward building a stronger, more resilient, and inclusive community for everyone. Inside, you'll find a list of organizations I'm partnering with throughout the remainder of the year. If you're able, I encourage you to donate to your community—even small contributions can collectively create a substantial difference and it's a powerful way to make a positive impact on the lives of others.