



 Helping Hand Rescue Mission

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 225 Broadway St., Huntington Sta. NY 11746

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 JULY SUMMER HOURS

Open Tues.-Fri. 10AM-2PM Summer Donation Days are  
Tuesday-Friday 10am-2pm

## Upcoming Events

**HHRM is CLOSED:** Summer Intermission –  
July 1-8

**Baby Blessings Set-up Day** – July 15 10am

**Baby Blessings Event** – July 16 10am-1pm

Summer Boutique Set-up – July 17-19, 22-23, 30,  
31 Boutique items are needed for this fundraiser

- DONATIONS ACCEPTED TUES-FRI  
10am-2pm

**Summer Boutique** – August 1-3 10-4pm

**Vacation Bible School** – August 13-16 10-2pm

**Back to School Backpack Event** – August 24

- NEW SCHOOL SUPPLY DONATIONS  
ACCEPTED July 9-August 20  
10am-2pm Tuesday-Friday

## June Baby Blessings



If you walk into the Huntington Assembly of God church on the second Tuesday of the month, you will find the auditorium bustling with families of young children. It feels a little like a celebration. Volunteers are serving eggs, bacon, pancakes and bagels for breakfast and manning tables full of clothes, neatly organized from size 0-3 months to 5T. A small army of strollers, car seats, pack-n-plays, toys, bedding, and books has been assembled, and the bags full of new diapers are waiting by the door. The room buzzes with Spanish and English—most of our guests and volunteers speak one, the other, or both. Our speakers share the word of the Lord and give a brief lecture on child development and warning signs for special needs. They translate their messages while the audience enjoys brunch, and then finally, volunteers begin to call families up to choose baby items they can use.

The goal of the Baby Blessings program is to bless, uplift and support at-risk families with young children throughout our community. We believe that material and spiritual support go hand and hand, so our program aims to do both. The support for Baby Blessings has been enormous, and we couldn't be more grateful. There have been vans full of high-quality items donated, besides financial support, a full regiment of volunteers, and many, many prayers. Miracles are ordinary, the work of God and goodness is every day. Sometimes,

## Our Other Outreaches and Services

- Community Closet
- Food Pantry Tues-Fri
- Happy Day Kids' Outreach
- Weekly Community Lunches
- Prayer and Encouragement
- Food Drives & Clothing Outreaches
- Public Speaking Engagements

it largely consists of sorting clothes and attempting to fit all three car seats into the trunk (along with the mattress). Maybe it's disorienting to try cross a language barrier, and a little challenging to stay organized and make sure the right items get to the right people, but each and every time, we discover that the hustle is worth it. We're caring for the children, we're helping with the needs of our neighbors, and we're speaking and enacting Jesus' message of love.

This is what the kingdom of God is about.

The little ones and their families are so amazing to meet. The parents smile when you ask them about their children. Volunteers and attendees alike are in the room because they are actively looking to provide resources to bring kids up with love and stability.

The donations are now in the hands of families and blessing our community and our next generation. We're so grateful—so grateful, in fact, that we'll be doing it all over again this coming month.

## Monthly Mission Partners

Please consider making a monthly donation to our mission as a Monthly Mission Partner!

The work and ministry we do takes finances to accomplish. We are grateful to everyone who gives to make this mission possible. We have much work to do and appreciate all the help we receive from donors like you.

Please enclose your donation made out to **Helping Hand Rescue Mission** in the provided envelope, mail to P.O. Box 325 Huntington Station, NY 11747 or go to our website([www.helpinghandrescuemission.org](http://www.helpinghandrescuemission.org)) to donate or set up a recurring gift. Thank you!

Each gift is tax deductible! We are a 501(c)3 organization as determined by the IRS.



## Matthew 6:19-21

Do not store up for yourselves treasures in on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasure in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

# Our Mission News

Dear Family, Friends & Mission Partners,

Summer has come quickly and we are enjoying the warmer weather, though it has been a bit wet this season here on Long Island. School has ended and this makes life at HHRM a little more busy because now the children are home, many of whom are accustomed to eating breakfast and lunch at school. Parents now have more meals to provide so our Helping Others Eat Food Pantry and weekly community lunch have more people come for pantry breakfast, lunch and dinner staples. We are happy to be here to help them.

Summer plans are always fun to make and we are happy to have plans to share with our families so that they can enjoy some special fun and memories. June 29<sup>th</sup> was our annual **Set For Summer Family Fun Day**. Families enjoyed selecting summer clothing, a special BBQ, snow cones and fun time together with their families at no charge to them. We registered 150 families for this event in a morning and afternoon session and always enjoy sharing God's love with them as we meet their more temporal needs.

We are thankful because our new a/c and heating system is installed and running well. We are happy because we were also able to have a unit installed in the downstairs of the mission that will also provide temperature control and dehumidification often needed during the more humid summer months. Thank you to everyone who gave to help meet this unexpected need so quickly. We are always grateful to God for His provision. He always moves on the hearts of people to help us serve those in our community who come to us for assistance.

**Will you help us to meet the summer needs of our community?** Extra help is needed to offset the cost of our Backpack distribution. Even with many supply donations there are always extra supplies and backpacks to purchase. We also serve our community lunch and will be having VBS August 13-16<sup>th</sup> providing lunch and snacks to the children attending during the week.

We keep you in our prayers each day and we are always grateful to have wonderful people like you to support our mission. Your cards, notes and calls of encouragement mean so much! Many of you have been partners through the years and others are new to our Mission. **Our work would not be possible without you helping us to be here and to meet the monthly operational and outreach needs** and supply costs. Thank you so much for your continued support of Helping Hand Rescue Mission.

We are already making plans for the coming fall and look forward to continuing our Hope & A Future ESL Groups, iLead youth mentoring program for young people and new family outreach programs that we will share with you as our plans materialize and come together. We are also in the beginning stages of planning our Christmas party, Thanksgiving and holiday outreaches which will be here before we know it. Thank God that He is faithful through every season. Thank you for your hearts to share in our work.

Serving Together,



Rev. Kim Gambino, President

## Kim Gambino

Kim Gambino is available to come to speak to your group, church, school or organization about the work of HHRM. Email [kimberlygambino@hhrm.org](mailto:kimberlygambino@hhrm.org) for availability; or to hear her speak on Sunday mornings come to Half Hollow Community Church (11 Seaman Neck Road, Dix Hills, NY) at 11am. She desires to encourage other people towards "love and good works" and to share the gospel message and the legacy work of Helping Hand Rescue Mission.

Kim's words are heartfelt and inspiring as she shares true stories, real mission miracles, and her life is a living testimony of God's faithfulness, grace and unconditional love. Kim has spoken at churches, Christian and public schools, women's luncheons, civic organizations, youth group meetings and church events and has been warmly received by all age groups, all denominations and secular organizations. She would love to come speak to your group.



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Donation days are Wed., Fri., and Sat. during hours.

### Thank You for Caring!

We believe that commitment to our faith and our community really matters. We're so grateful you're supporting our mission, whether it's by praying, volunteering, donating, coming to our events, or even just reading our newsletter!



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## Mission Soup is Back!

### Irma's Chicken Soup (serves 30)

¼ cup olive oil  
10 carrots finely chopped  
2 white onions chopped  
2 chickens  
1 bulb of garlic chopped  
12 c. chicken broth  
8 tomatoes chopped & seeded  
5 cups water  
1 bunch celery finely chopped  
8 potatoes peeled & finely chopped  
Salt, pepper and oregano to taste

### Directions:

Cook chicken in water to cover. Cool & remove from bones. Strain broth. In oil cook garlic, onion, celery until translucent. Add chicken broth, carrots and potatoes. Cook for 1-1 and 1/2 hour on low simmer.

Salt, pepper and oregano to taste.

This soup is a year 'round Mission favorite! Use ½ the recipe for a good size pot.

