

# Food Bank

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Invited guests were County Executive Lamont Mclure, Selina Windchester From Congress Woman Susan Wild's office, Kurt Durr From Senator Lisa Boscolla's office, Lisa Amy From State Rep. Ann Flood's office, Brandon Campos and Nichole Smith from CACLV, Frank Brooks from the county, Bangor borough council, Steve Reider Bangor borough manager, Slate Belt Chamber, Bangor Elks.

I announced Acknowledgements: Thank you Bangor Borough council for having patience while we went thru the construction phase and Steve Reider. borough Mgr. for helping me obtain the permits.

Our friends from Waste Mgmt. Adrienne Fors & Joe Lane.

For funding and volunteering when we need it especially when it's at the last minute.

Frank Brooks from the County who convinced myself and Pastor Frank we could be come the Food Hub of the Slate Belt helped me with the process of working with CACLV to process the funding (Frank is the Red Tape Expert). Thank you Brandon, Nichole and Dawn Godshall Dir of CACLV for all your help with this project over the past year.

Mr. Hallett who owns Hallett Paving for donating the paving of our entire lot. Slate belt Chamber and Bangor Elks for their kind donations every year.

The Contractors on our project: Tim Schnaitman from Mother Natures Way Land Scaping, who also donated the flower pots in front of the building, Ryan Engler from Robert Collura Engineering, Anothy & Kyle Picone from ABP Mechanical who installed the units, Bob Hoffman from RG Hoffman Electrical, Tim Zimmerman from Harrisburg Refrigeration.

I introduced our County Executive Lamont Mclure. Serving in his second term he ran on the ticket to promote and help the Slate Belt which he has done with economic development, funding for non-profit groups such as Mission of Love, Slate Belt Rising, Recovery revolution, A clean Slate, Blue Valley Farm Show, and many others.

One that I co-chair is 'Friends of Minsi Lake' He was the first to give us \$500,000 matching grant money to help rehab the lake and all it's infrastructure. I asked the crowd raise your hand if you have ever been to Minsi Lake ! almost everyone did, this is the man you can all thank for the improvements Lamont Mclure our County Executive.

To date the county has invested close to half a million dollars in Mission of Love Food Bank to help us serve the needs of the community in the Slate Belt.

We now have 'state of the art' cooler and freezer that can hold up to 20 pallets of food.

This building is capable holding over 100 pallets of dry goods.

This is in addition to the 8X10 cooler inside the old building funded from the County and CACLV and the 8X42 freezer outside funded by our friends at Waste Mgmt.

Also to note from previous county funding, our new 16' box truck, new forklift and 3 new electric pallet jacks that makes the task of moving pallets that can some times weigh 2000 lbs. easier for the volunteers.



L-R Mike Ortoski, Selina Windchester From Congress Woman Susan Wild's office, Pastor Frank Pons



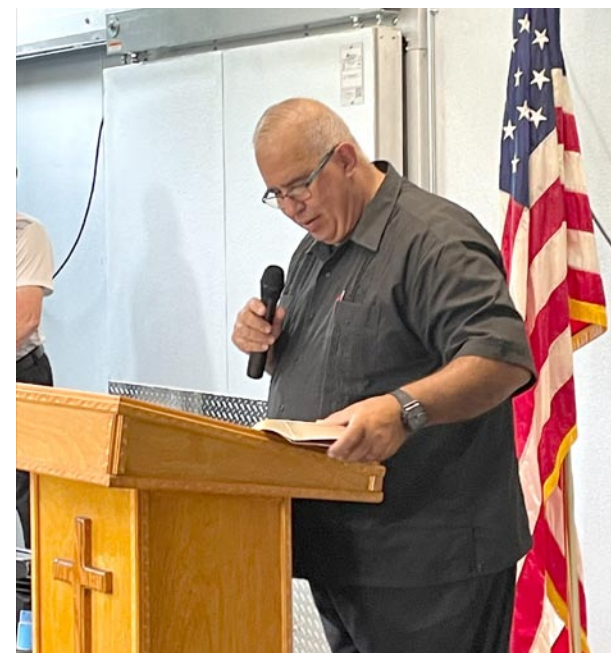
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