

## Pizza Served with a Side of Love

By Stephnie Apell

ALLENTOWN, PA – On Wednesday, December 3, 2025, Tony Salvatore, owner of JRads Wood Fired Pizza food truck, and his team will be serving guests of the Allentown Rescue Mission a warm meal, bringing hope and dignity this holiday season.

"In the season of giving, I felt the nudge to give back to a community in need. I chose the Allentown Rescue Mission because I grew up in downtown Allentown and saw the less fortunate and appreciated how the Mission served and provided for the guests until they got back on their feet.

I just want to make positive memories for them through food, which is my passion," said Salvatore. Salvatore will volunteer his time and resources to help men in crisis feel connected to the community. Allentown Rescue Mission guests will be able to order a pizza of their choice from Salvatore's food truck, which will be parked outside the Mission.



He will also bring soup and focaccia bread to keep guests warm while they enjoy their time together and wait for their pizza. Dinner will be served from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. About JRads Wood Fired Pizza: Award-winning Executive Chef, Anthony Salvatore, has been in the food truck industry for three years. For years, Salvatore dreamed of owning his own business.

In 2020, he and his wife, Debbie, built a wood-fired pizza oven in their backyard. It was so well-received by friends and family that they decided to turn their dream into a food truck reality. They later held taste tests and perfected the dough. JRads Wood Fired Pizza is all about simple food done right.



## Brown Honored by State Farm with Good Neighbor Auto Safety Champion Award

By Senator Rosemary Brown

I am truly honored to share that State Farm has selected me as one of only four nationwide recipients with the 2025 State Farm Good Neighbor Auto Safety Champion Award.

This recognition highlights my work with the passage of Paul Miller's Law, which prohibits drivers from holding or supporting a phone or electronic device while driving, allowing only hands-free use. It's a commonsense, life-saving measure that will help reduce distracted driving and protect lives on Pennsylvania roads.

Distracted driving continues to be a major public safety challenge. According to PennDOT, more than 11,400 distracted driving crashes occurred in 2023, resulting in 62 fatalities and over 2,800 injuries. Nearly 5% of all traffic accidents statewide last year were linked to driver distraction.

To help address this, State Farm launched a new initiative promoting a more mindful approach behind the wheel. This includes encouraging drivers to put distractions aside and reconnect with the fundamentals of safe driving: two hands on the wheel, two eyes on the road, and mind at task. Nationwide, distracted driving contributes to 29% of all motor vehicle crashes, underscoring the urgent need for strong, effective policies.

Thank you to State Farm for this recognition and for your commitment to helping reduce distracted driving across the nation.