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### December 7th: Remembering a Day of Infamy

By Senator Rosemary Brown

Each year on Dec. 7th, we remember the 2,403 service members and civilians killed during the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Hawaii in 1941. A further 1,178 people were injured in the attack, which permanently sank two U.S. Navy battleships and destroyed 188 aircraft.

We remember not just the surprise attack, but the steely resolve of Americans to do



whatever it took to defeat the Axis forces of World War II. May we never forget their courage, their service, and the lessons of that day.

# Allentown Rotary Foundation Awards \$10,000 in **Grants to Combat Emergency Food Crisis**

By Rosaria Stoops

ALLENTOWN, PA – 12/3 – The Allentown Rotary Foundation today announced \$10,000 in grant awards to four local organizations working to address the ongoing emergency food crisis affecting the community. Each organization will receive \$2,500 to support their critical food security initiatives.

#### The grant recipients are:

- Lehigh Conference of Churches Daybreak Program
- Star Community Health Center
- Salvation Army Allentown
- Allentown Area Ecumenical Food Pantry

"Food security is not just about sustenance—it is the foundation upon which people build their lives, their health, and their futures," said Rosaria Stoops of the Allentown Rotary Foundation. "We recognize that our neighbors cannot reach their full potential, care for their families, or contribute to our community when they are struggling to meet their most basic nutritional needs."

The grants reflect the Foundation's commitment to making meaningful investments in the community during times of urgent need. The work of these four organizations to combat food insecurity directly aligns with the Foundation's mission to serve the community and create lasting positive change.

"We have witnessed the dedication of these organizations and the critical role they play in ensuring that our neighbors do not go hungry," Rosaria added. "We are honored to support this vital work across multiple fronts in our community."

The Allentown Rotary Foundation believes that addressing hunger strengthens the resilience of the entire community. These grants will enable the recipient organizations to continue and expand essential food security services during this challenging time.

# 2025 WM **RECYCLING REPORT: CLOSING THE "SAY-DO GAP"**

AMERICANS FEEL GOOD ABOUT RECYCLING, AND COMPANY RECYCLING COMMITMENTS HELP GUIDE THEIR PURCHASES — EVEN AS EVERYDAY BARRIERS CAN LIMIT RECYCLING FOLLOW THROUGH.



Wm Volunteers at Mission of Love Food Hub the week of Thanks Giving

#### Volunteering in the Slate Belt

By Adrienne Fors

The holidays are one of our favorite times of the year to support the community! Last month, we joined the Character Education program to help unload the bus full of donated items to benefit Families First of Pen Argyl. WM also contributed canned goods to support the students' efforts, helping to provide for more than 70 families. The students collected an impressive 13,819 items!! Well done Pen Argyl High School and community mem-



Additionally, the WM team stopped by to support our friends at Mission of Love Food Bank with the Thanksgiving distribution.

If you are interested in supporting Families First of Pen Argyl please visit their website.

If you would like to make a donation to support Mission of Love Food Bank, please visit their website.



## **Waste Management**

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Friday, January 16th

12:30 pm - 3:00 pm To schedule your appointment

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