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NJGCA Members Donate to Fulfill NJ Ahead of Holiday Season

Members of the gasoline, convenience store, and automotive industries in New Jersey provide over 15,000 meals to families in need amid holiday season

The New Jersey Gasoline, Convenience Store, and Automotive Association (NJGCA) again held their annual Turkey Drive this year amid the continuing pandemic and national supply shortages, which includes turkeys. This only increased the need for the association to continue their generosity ahead of this holiday season. Sal Risalvato, Executive Director of NJGCA, released the following statement after delivering turkeys for Fulfill NJ, the food bank of Monmouth and Ocean counties:

“About a month ago, we sent out a notice to our members that we would be collecting donations for turkeys for Fulfill NJ, the food bank that serves Monmouth and Ocean counties. This time of year especially we know how important it is to give back to our communities, especially in this time of crisis for so many families that are facing a holiday without a special meal to feed their loved ones. Our members went above and beyond answering the call this year donating the most we have ever been able to at \$5,000. With this donation, Fulfill was able to provide 15,000 meals this holiday season to families in need across Monmouth and Ocean counties.

“I want to thank our members and member benefit partners for heeding our call to action and really stepping up to make sure no one goes hungry during the holidays.”

Linda Kellner, Director of Development and External Relations at Fulfill NJ, was able to meet the staff dropping off the donation and was thrilled at the amount provided, saying, “Not everybody has recovered [from the pandemic] and the increase and need for food since the pandemic has not gone away. NJGCA’s contributions this season will make 15,000 people happy this holiday.”

Outside the building the day of the association's scheduled donation drop off, parked cars circled around the building awaiting food donations for the food bank's Thanksgiving food distribution event. It was still an hour before the event start time, and the line was already almost out of the building's large parking lot area, only highlighting that the need for food has not gone away.



L to R: Eric Blomgren of NJGCA, Linda Kellner of Fulfill, Michelle Jackson of NJGCA and Nick De Palma of NJGCA drop off turkeys and donation to Fulfill NJ



Outside the building pictured above, cars lined up to receive food donations for the food banks annual Thanksgiving food drive.

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