

**Report of the Diocesan Jubilee Office to the
236th Annual Diocesan Convention**

Jubilee Ministries was created by the 1982 General Convention of The Episcopal Church, Resolution A082, to be “a ministry of joint discipleship in Christ with poor and oppressed people, wherever they are found, to meet basic human needs and to build a just society.”

2019 Highlights

Designation of Jubilee Ministry Center

- St. John’s Episcopal Church, Somerville*

Fundraising “...to meet basic human needs”

Battle Against Hunger

- Cyclist representing Trinity Cathedral in partnership with **The Battle Against Hunger**, were three adolescents recruited from the “youth group.”
- Trinity Church, Asbury Park, successfully organized the very first Jersey Shore Ride for Food Justice to benefit the food justice programs of Trinity Church, Asbury Park, this past September. Funds raised are to support their following programs: Saturday Soup, the Food Pantry, Women’s Hospitality Network, and Code Blue. Riders of all levels took on routes of 15, 30, and 62 miles. After they were finished, the riders were treated to a picnic on the church grounds. If you are interested in riding next year or volunteering in one of the food justice programs you can email ride organizer Dave Osis at FoodJusticeRide@gmail.com

Soles for the Harvest 5K Run/Walk

One Hundred thirty-one runners/walkers registered for the 2019 Soles for the Harvest 5K Run/Walk. Many of whom were fundraisers for the churches and charities listed below.

- Christ Church, New Brunswick
- Holy Apostles’ Church, Yardville
- St. Andrew’s Church, Mount Holly
- St. Thomas’ Church, Glassboro
- The Episcopal Church of the Holy Innocents, Beach Haven
- Trinity Cathedral, Trenton
- Trinity Church, Woodbridge
- Trenton Area Soup Kitchen (TASK)
- Rescue Mission of Trenton

Grants:

The DJO awarded four grants to Jubilee Ministries to enhance their feeding programs throughout the diocese. These grants totaled \$2,640.00. Each site received \$660.00.

- St. Mark’s Center for Community Renewal – St. Mark’s Church, Keansburg
- St. Barnabas’-by-the-Bay Church, Villas
- Grace Church, Merchantville
- Iglesia San Jose, Elizabeth

“...to build a just society”

Continue to partner with various advocacy and social justice organizations, e.g., APN of New Jersey, the Poor People’s Campaign, Salvation for Social Justice and the Institute for Social Justice.

Moving Forward 2020

- Form volunteer teams for fundraising activities.
- Expand funding for food security and health issues.
- Continue to shepherd, when needed, charity and justice ministries through the application, designation and affirmation process.
- Continue to communicate Diocese and The Episcopal Church grant and fundraising opportunities (to Jubilee Ministries when available).
- Convene bi-yearly scheduled meetings for the purposes of networking, training and sharing best practices with Jubilee Ministries.

Respectfully Submitted,

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*Designated 2018