



Jeremiah's Times



Summer 2026

The Support Behind Our Success

While federal and state funding uncertainty has created new challenges for nonprofits across Massachusetts, one thing has remained constant: the generosity of our community.

Jeremiah's Inn has never done this work alone. Every day, we are supported by an incredible network of partners, volunteers, foundations, businesses, and individuals who believe that everyone deserves access to nutritious food and the opportunity to build a life in recovery.

Strengthening Our Nutrition Center

As demand for our Nutrition Center & Food Pantry continues to grow, community partnerships have become more important than ever. Organizations like Spoonfuls, Community Harvest Project, Overlook Farm, Dismas Family Farm, Rachel's Table, 4 Others, Inc., and Clark University through The FIRM Initiative help ensure our shelves remain stocked with fresh, nutritious food for the more than 33,000 individuals we serve each year.

This work is also made possible through the support of many grant partners. While there are far too many to recognize individually, we are deeply grateful to organizations like the Greater Worcester Community Foundation, Worcester County Food Bank, United Way of Central Massachusetts, and the many organizations and foundations that continue to invest in food security throughout our community.

Supporting Holistic Recovery

Recovery is about much more than abstinence. It is about rebuilding healthy, meaningful lives, and that requires a community willing to walk alongside each individual. Our Residential Recovery Program is strengthened by dedicated partners who bring specialized services directly to our residents.



Revive Of the USA provides fitness classes that promote physical wellness. Sylvia Murphy shares meditation and energy healing practices that support emotional well-being. Shannon Burke helps residents develop lifelong nutrition skills, while Anna Rice generously provides legal education and support to help individuals overcome barriers as they rebuild their lives.

These enriching services are complemented by the generosity of grant funders who recognize the importance of comprehensive, person-centered recovery. We are especially grateful to UMass Memorial Health, the Fred Harris Daniels Foundation, Avidia Charitable Foundation, and so many other organizations whose investments allow us to offer services that extend well beyond traditional treatment.

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Behind Every Grant Is a Great Deal of Work

Grant funding doesn't happen by chance. Behind every successful application are hours of research, collaboration, writing, budgeting, reporting, and planning. We are incredibly thankful for our grant writing partners at The Giving Edge.

Sarah and Brittany dedicate countless hours to helping Jeremiah's Inn secure critical funding that supports both our Nutrition Center and Residential Recovery Program. Their expertise, persistence, and commitment have helped us pursue opportunities that directly benefit the individuals and families we serve.



To every partner, volunteer, donor, foundation, and collaborator who has stood beside Jeremiah's Inn over the years - thank you. Your support has allowed us to continue meeting growing community needs during a time of uncertainty, proving once again that when a community comes together, lives are changed.

Support our Annual Fall Appeal - Nourishing Families. Restoring Lives.



Annual Food Drive Success

Thanks to the incredible generosity of the Worcester community, Shaw's Supermarkets, and our food drive sponsors, we're proud to share that this year's Food Drive raised nearly \$10,500 and collected more than 2,200 pounds of food to help stock our pantry for the busy summer months.

In June alone, Jeremiah's Inn provided nearly 700 children with healthy staples like fresh produce, dairy, protein, baked goods, and other nutritious foods. We also distributed essential household items that were collected - including paper products, laundry and dish soap, and toiletries to help families stretch their budgets. Community food drives like this are vital to our mission of ensuring our neighbors don't have to choose between paying bills and putting food on the table.



Whether you purchased food through our Amazon Wish List, donated at Shaw's, organized a workplace food drive, mailed a check, or gave online, every contribution makes a difference. Thank you for helping us provide food, dignity, and hope to families throughout our community.

Thank You, Sponsors!! Along with Shaw's Supermarkets, our sponsors include: **Community Champion Sponsor:** POBCO, Inc. **Community Impact Leader:** Herlihy Insurance Group, **Hunger Relief Partner:** Hyde-Dexter Russell Charitable Foundation, IBEW Local 96, Millbury Federal Credit Union, Teamsters's Local 170 **Community Supporter:** Barrow's Hardware, Masterman's Safety & Industrial Supply



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Welcome New Staff Becky Ramirez



Becky Ramirez is a person in long-term recovery with more than 6½ years of sobriety, a proud mother, and a recent graduate of Anna Maria College, where she earned her Bachelor's degree in Addiction Studies in May 2026.

Inspired by her own recovery journey, Becky chose to pursue a career helping others find hope and build meaningful lives in recovery. After completing her internship at Jeremiah's Inn, she knew it was where she wanted to begin her professional career. "I was drawn to the organization's mission, the supportive culture, and the genuine compassion the staff show every resident."

As a member of the Jeremiah's Inn team, Becky believes recovery is possible for everyone and is honored to help individuals overcome challenges, rediscover their strengths, and create lasting change.

Welcome, Becky!! 🙌



Community Harvest Project (CHP) Volunteer Days

One of our most valued community partnerships is with Community Harvest Project (CHP). For more than a decade, CHP has been an incredible partner in our mission to improve food security throughout Worcester County. Each growing season, they donate thousands of pounds of fresh, locally grown produce directly to Jeremiah's Inn, helping us provide our pantry guests with healthy, nutritious food that might otherwise be out of reach.



The partnership extends beyond food donations. Throughout the growing season, our residents volunteer regularly at Community Harvest Project as part of their recovery journey. Working side by side in the fields, they gain valuable job readiness skills, build confidence, give back to the community, and experience the therapeutic benefits of meaningful work. It's a partnership that nourishes both body and spirit. Providing fresh food for our neighbors while offering our residents an opportunity to grow, connect, and thrive in recovery.

We are deeply grateful to the entire Community Harvest Project team for their continued generosity, collaboration, and unwavering commitment to strengthening our community. www.community-harvest.org

Nutrition Center

Worcester County Food Bank

United Way Of Central Massachusetts

Greater Worcester Community Foundation -
WCFB Fund to End Hunger

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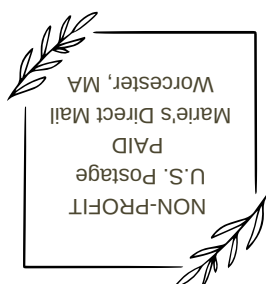
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