

PEOPLE FOR PEOPLE FOUNDATION

DECEMBER 2024

MESSAGE FROM THE CEO



Bernadette Blackstock—CEO

I was recently asked, “What makes People for People different from other agencies?” It only took a split second to respond: The Team.

We are fortunate to have a team of mature, experienced individuals each with their own unique talents that blend to make a cohesive team. Their core values of client service are the same: answer the phone; be polite; take the time to listen; make sound recommendations and referrals; thank the client for calling.

Our next “Stars of the Month” are team members **Sue Vale & Jean Dougherty**.



Sue Vale—Supportive Service Specialist

Such a small name for such a vibrant person.

Sue started with People for People in August 2024. She is very familiar with the foundation; having volunteered for many of People for People’s events throughout her years with the Glassboro Rotary Club.

Sue comes to People for People after a long career as a Retail Manager. She has overseen many stores including: Orvis, Coldwater Creek, and Bath and Body Works.

Sue is a mom to two daughters and a “mom mom” to two grandsons and one granddaughter. Moreover, Sue is a dog mom to two **fur babies**.

Of course when Sue is not busy (Not very often), you can always find her on the dance floor, listening and dancing to local bands.

Sue is excited with her new career as a Supportive Service Specialist at People for People and People for People is excited to have Sue onboard.



Jean Dougherty— Case Management / Volunteer

What’s for lunch?

Jean graduated from what was then Stockton State College with a degree in Social Work. During her career, Jean worked with the Developmentally Disabled population and their families, first in private facilities, and for many years with the State of NJ Division of Developmental Disabilities.

Since retiring in 2018 from her many years as a social worker, Jean loves spending time with her family, outdoor activities with her husband and friends, sailing, playing cards with friends, playing pickleball and book club.

Jean has also found her purpose volunteering with the League of Women Voters of Camden County, serving on the County Board and helping to register new voters, write grants and educate voters.

In 2019, Jean came to People For People as a volunteer and is available for Case Management services and assisting residents with understanding, identifying and accessing services within the community, as well as helping out with other tasks as needed at People For People.

Jean’s warm and caring nature, fondness for helping others, and ability to “**fit right in**” is a great asset to the staff at People For People.

Please help us continue our mission assisting the veterans and residents of South Jersey by making a donation to our 20th Anniversary Fund. Click the following link to give: <https://givebutter.com/PFP20th>

MISSION STATEMENT

To provide resource and referral assistance to residents of Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, and Salem Counties that have experienced financial hardship due to unforeseen circumstances.



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WREATHS OF REMEMBRANCE

DATE: Saturday, December 7, 2024
TIMES: 9:00am (Family private gathering)
9:30am (Veteran ceremony)
LOCATION: GC Veterans Memorial Cemetery—Monroe Township
240 N. Tuckahoe Road, Williamstown, NJ 08094

On **December 7, 2024**, the *People for People Foundation of Gloucester County* will host the **15th Annual Wreaths of Remembrance** Ceremony at the Gloucester County Veteran's Memorial Cemetery in Monroe Township, NJ. Collectively with the Gloucester County Department of Veterans Administration, Lora and Rich Gess and the Rotary Club of Glassboro and hundreds of volunteers, will place 3900 wreaths on the graves while saying words of gratitude to honor the deceased veterans.

Family members of the interred are asked to arrive by **9:00 am** for a short reception and then a private laying of wreaths on their family member's graves. Starting at **9:30 am**, a formal memorial ceremony is held by local dignitaries and the laying of wreaths at the memorial sites of the different branches of the military. Volunteers will then lay wreaths on the balance of the graves. The event is opened to the public.

Due to the large numbers of participants **all parking will be at the Williamstown Middle School parking lot** which is one mile from the cemetery. Shuttle buses will transport the volunteers to the cemetery starting at 8:15 am. Handicap designated cars **ONLY** will be allowed to park at the cemetery. There will be Handicap Accessible buses running from the High School as well. Please comply with all parking instructions.

If you or your group would like to volunteer to lay wreaths please contact Janis at **856-579-7561**.

To sponsor a wreath please click this link: <https://givebutter.com/ix8QnM> or make checks payable to:

People for People Foundation

On memo line, write **Wreaths**

- * Mail to: *People for People Foundation*
100 Homer Street, Suite B, Clayton, NJ 08312
To donate online go to: www.pfpfoundation.org

◆ **Please note change of address**

Corporate Sponsorships available:

- ◆ 1000 wreaths = \$11,000
- ◆ 500 wreaths = \$5500
- ◆ 250 wreaths = \$2750
- ◆ \$100 wreaths = \$1100
- ◆ Individual wreath sponsorship = At least \$15

CELEBRATING THE HOLIDAYS

The month of December has more to offer than just holiday preparations. December holidays and observances can be a way to explore a variety subjects, including awareness of health conditions, safety issues, and ways to promote a healthy lifestyle. It's a bit on the lighter side when it comes to daily observances this month.

That's because there are a handful of major annual holidays this month that takes up most of December. However, if the holiday season is overwhelming it can be helpful to shift your attention to a variety of other topics to balance out the month's revelry.

Here are some of the official and unofficial special days/weeks to celebrate in December.

- * National Cookie Cutter Week (December 1-7)
- * Crohn's and Colitis Awareness Week (December 1-7)
- * Hanukkah (December 7-15)
- * National Handwashing Awareness Week (first week)
- * National Influenza Vaccination Week* (typically first week)
- * Christmas Eve, National Egg Nog Day (Dec. 24)
- * Christmas Day, National Pumpkin Pie Day (Dec. 25)
- * National Whiners Day, Boxing Day, National Candy Cane Day (December 26)
- * Kwanzaa (December 26-January 1)

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



Cover & Inside Stories

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THE VICTORY GARDEN & MORE...



The Christmas season is upon us again. We will be having another nice Christmas luncheon with our volunteers and supporters. We are blessed with a group of very special people that keep the garden growing. Look who stopped by last night. Santa toured the garden and gave his approval. He checked out his mailbox for some last minute letters. A stop for some refreshments and then he and the Mrs. headed back to the North Pole.



Cranberry-Chipotle Ham
Serve this wonderful dinner for Christmas

Ingredients

- 1 cooked smoked bone-in ham (10 to 12 lb)
- 1 cup whole berry cranberry sauce
- 3 tbsp packed light brown sugar
- 2 tbsp spicy brown mustard
- 1 to 2 chipotle chiles in adobo sauce (from 7-oz can), finely chopped
- ¼ tsp chipotle chiles pepper powder
- ¼ Fresh cranberries, if desired
- ¼ Fresh rosemary sprigs, if desired
- ¼ Orange wedges, if desired

Directions

- * Move oven rack to lowest position. Heat oven to 325°F. Line roasting pan with foil.
- * Remove skin from ham; trim fat to 1/4-inch thickness. Make shallow cuts in fat at 1-inch intervals in diamond pattern. Place ham in pan.
- * In medium bowl, stir together cranberry sauce, brown sugar, mustard, chiles and chile pepper powder. Brush mixture on ham. Insert ovenproof meat thermometer so tip is in thickest part of meat and does not touch bone or rest in fat.
- * Bake 1 ½ to 2 hours, brushing with pan juices every 30 minutes, or until thermometer reads at least 140°F. Cover loosely with foil; let stand 10 to 15 minutes for easier carving. Garnish with cranberries, rosemary and oranges.

Prep Time: 15 min Total Time: 2 hr 30 min Servings: 12

Financial Planning Counseling Sessions

Jason Gabrieli, a Certified Financial Planner from HFM Investment Advisors is offering free financial planning counseling sessions. The sessions are confidential and cover topics like budgeting, debt paydown strategies, saving strategies, etc.

To make an appointment with Jason you may contact him at the following address:

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Partnering with CONIFER REALTY, LLC
COMING SOON...

Upcoming Affordable Housing and Supportive Services

Cove at Palmyra—Palmyra

Family development located in Palmyra, NJ. Family development with 8 units set-aside for veterans at risk of homelessness. Completion scheduled for 2025.

Liberty Landing—East Greenwich

Liberty Landing located in East Greenwich, NJ. Family development with 70 total units of 1, 2, and 3 bedrooms with 35 veteran preference units. 5 units designated for veterans at risk of being homeless. Completion scheduled for 2025.

Swedesboro—Gloucester County

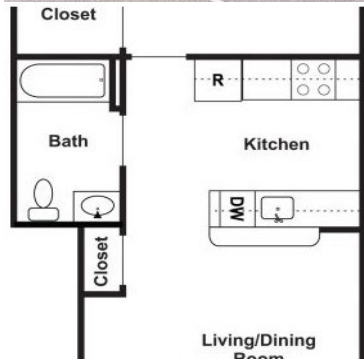
Family development with 5 units set -aside for veterans at risk of being homeless. Completion scheduled for 2025.

Valor Point—Middlesex County

Family development with Veteran Preference currently under construction in Middlesex County, NJ. 80 units of 1, 2, and 3 bedrooms with 37 units designated for veterans. Completion scheduled by end of 2024.

Woodland View—Camden County

Family development located in Camden County, NJ. 13 units will be set-aside for veterans at risk of being homeless. Completion scheduled for 2025.



PEOPLE FOR PEOPLE FOUNDATION—UPCOMING EVENTS

Wreaths of Remembrance

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Times: family private gathering—9am
veteran ceremony—10am

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Be a helping hand. Click below.



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