



Part of the Solution
Feeding Our Neighbors. Nourishing Our Community.

COVID-19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE APPEAL



Like all New Yorkers, the POTS community is confronting harsh new realities. But for our more than 30,000 clients, the pandemic means an exacerbation of instabilities many already face in their lives.

The loss of a job, difficulties applying for public benefits, and other new challenges aggravate existing problems like food or housing instability, lack of child care, limited healthcare access, and behavioral health problems, among others.

We are finding we must address our community's needs in new ways—and at new levels. We expect a tremendous growth in the need for funds in the coming weeks and months as we respond to the crisis. We're expanding existing programs and services and creating new ones, as our neighbors in need begin to experience severe hardship.

This requires making an investment in the people we've committed to help since 1982. POTS has just launched an **Emergency Response Appeal** with a goal of raising \$500,000 by June 30. Until that date, all general donations to POTS will be directed to this urgent and special appeal. We welcome contributions from institutions as well as individuals. Gifts will help POTS address the most serious needs as they emerge, while continuing to represent a source of strength and hope for our Bronx neighbors.

Your gift will make an important difference

- \$25** will enable POTS' Food Pantry to provide a family of five with groceries for making 9 meals.
- \$100** will cover the costs of cleaning, sanitizing, and maintenance materials and equipment for one daily scrub-down of the POTS facility.
- \$250** will allow POTS to provide ongoing and personalized case management services to a family navigating this crisis.
- \$500** will enable POTS to purchase supplies like sanitary gloves, to-go bags, plates and plastic utensils for the safe operation of our hot lunch and pantry programs for a week.
- \$1,000** will enable POTS to provide emergency relief to a household facing a sudden financial crisis by helping them meet costs such as prescription fulfillment, medical bills, utilities, or rental arrears.

DONATE NOW

As POTS responds to this crisis, please respond to this appeal with a generous gift. You'll get the satisfaction of knowing that you were part of the solution when a neighbor was in great need.