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**FREEPORT, NY**: Northrop Grumman gives Long Island Council of Churches a \$,5000 COVID grant for its Nassau County emergency food and support program.

The Long Island Council of Churches (LICC) received a \$5,000 COVID grant from Northrop Grumman to support its emergency food and support program in Nassau County.

We are most grateful to Northrop Grumman for its generous support during the COVID pandemic. This grant will help us keep up with the increased number of hungry Neighbors we are feeding in our Freeport Emergency Food Center. This allows us to feed more people and give them the food they need. We are feeding up to 12,491 Neighbors a month in Nassau and giving them enough food for three days.

"We are extremely thankful for all of the blessings and the continued support in our ministry to those that we serve and the generosity of Northrop Grumman. We are seeing an increase of those we are serving as the demand with those suffering from food insecurity grows during this unprecedented pandemic, their support allows us to continue in **Serving Our Neighbors in Need**," said LICC Director of Administration and Operations, Deacon Anthony Achong.

The Long Island Council of Churches, the region's largest ecumenical and interfaith organization, is a faith-based, non-profit emergency food and social service agency. For over 51 years the LICC has brought together hundreds of faith communities to respond rapidly to the emergency needs of the least fortunate. The agency collaborates with more than 50 public and private health and social service agencies to provide emergency food and essential social services to Long Islanders in crisis. In 2019 the LICC fed 30,649 hungry Long Islanders 275,841 meals. Thus far, due to the pandemic, from January to June 2020 the LICC fed 33,546 hungry Long Islanders 301,914 meals.

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