



Peter Mann and Brewster Student Volunteers

Each Wednesday they unload and
shelve deliveries and then set up the
tables for the next pack. We could
not function without their help.

Thank You!



Meredith Village Savings Bank



This season, Meredith Village
Savings Bank continued a more than
four-decade tradition of collecting
donations of new mittens, hats, gloves
and scarves for their annual Mitten
Tree drive.

All donated items were distributed to
local schools and nonprofits. To
extend the impact, each item donation
was matched with \$2 to a local
organization addressing childhood
food insufficiency.

Our chapter of End 68 Hours of
Hunger Wolfeboro Area will be
receiving a donation.



Coordinators' Corner *News from The Annie C. Casey* *Foundation*

**Child poverty in the U.S. has
surged, nearly tripling from 5%
in 2021 to 13% in 2024.**

This dramatic increase follows the expi-
ration of pandemic-era economic poli-
cies and rising prices that have strained
family budgets nationwide. However,
a new report from the Annie E. Casey
Foundation, ["Measuring Access to
Opportunity in the United States: A 10-
Year Update,"](#) underscores the pro-
found impact of public policies and
programs, demonstrating their capacity
to cut child poverty in half.



One of our volunteer packing
teams, Christine Japy (and
husband Phil who is taking the
picture) and Michelle Capone.
There are 26 volunteer packers.

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**2524 BAGS have been PACKED
since July 2025**

12/5	116
12/12	119
12/19	119

**Total bags packed in December, 354
Ave. each week = 118**

VOLUNTEER	
Hours	Miles
172	962



Thanks go to volunteer Joan
Scapicchio who for many years has
coordinated and created the Valentines
we give to all our children in their
weekend bag.



We welcome a new volunteer, Teresa
Kretchmer. Teresa has stepped up to
shop and deliver for our new venture
shared in this newsletter last month.

We provide food for an afterschool
cooking program for School's Out at
Ossipee Central School because federal
funds have been cut.
THANK YOU, TERESA!